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America goes to war

Local residents hope for quick victory

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Even in the hours before America's massive air attack on Iraq and Kuwait, area residents were convinced that war was inevitable.

Most of those who had talked with the *Press-Record/Journal* earlier Wednesday said they believed war would break out. And at 6 p.m. Wednesday, they — along with others throughout the world — learned they were right.

But President George Bush's decision to begin Operation Desert Storm Wednesday had considerable support from area residents. Many said they believed there was no alternative to using force.

Marine Lance Cpl. Jon Blaylock of Granite City was in good spirits yesterday morning when he called his wife, Gina, from Saudi Arabia.

Mrs. Albert (Betty) Blaylock, Blaylock's mother, was in a relaxed mood herself while talking with a reporter Wednesday afternoon.

"Jon's wife said that he was in very good spirits this morning when he called. In fact, he was acting up. He'd called us (his parents) the day before yesterday (Monday) and said he was feeling good."

"He's been over there since Sept. 5."

The deadline for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait passed by without compliance on

Tuesday at 11 p.m. local time.

Millions of residents stayed up later than usual Tuesday and Wednesday nights, watching and listening to news broadcasts. Many didn't go to bed.

Most local residents interviewed felt the allied action was inevitable. And nearly all felt that, if action must be taken against Hussein, it would be better sooner than later.

Desert Shield, a defensive action involving allied troops, was replaced by Desert Storm, an offensive strike.

"I don't like it, but I think we have to do it, else we'll wind up like it was in Germany (in 1939)," Betty Blaylock said.

"I heard somebody say that we should

cut this man down when he was a weed instead of having to disgorge him when he was a tree. I think that's true," she said.

If things could have been settled peacefully, what would happen?

"I guess they'd pick up their toys and come home. I could handle that, too," Mrs. Blaylock said.

Randy Pilch of Madison doesn't believe Hussein had the right to occupy another country and to take all its assets.

"The other nations of the world had to say to him — 'you can't do that. That's the way Hitler got started, going into Czechoslovakia.'"

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Schools to slash budget

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — School District 9 will implement a three-phase program designed to save the district \$1,081,320 per year, starting in the 1991-92 school year.

That announcement and details of the plan were given by Superintendent of Schools Gilbert Wainwright at a meeting of the school district staff Wednesday afternoon in the high school auditorium.

The plan was compiled by school district administrators and endorsed by the School Board's budget committee.

Wainwright prefaced his presentation by saying the plan "will have a negative impact on services to students," by decreasing staff to pupil ratios, but is necessary to balance revenues and costs.

The second and third phases would be more drastic, but there is hope they can be avoided, he said.

"It is important to note that we believe the teaching staff and administrative staff are currently at less than desirable levels," the plan states.

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GC Steel company revamped

GRANITE CITY — Key changes in the management structure of the Granite City division of National Steel have been announced by the company.

In a statement relayed to the employees earlier this week and to the *Press-Record/Journal* yesterday, the changes are said to affect the current Granite City Steel Management Committee.

Kenneth J. Leonard will assume the duties of assistant general manager of Administration. In his new capacity, he will be responsible for the activities of the current Customer Service, Financial, Engineering, Engineering Quality Control, Information Systems, Material Control and Technical Services departments.

The mission of this new area of the organization will be to adequately plan current and future operations.

In addition, the current Iron-making and Steelmaking Business Units will be combined into one Primary Business Unit and will be headed by James H. Squires as director.

The Hot Rolled Products and Cold Rolled and Coated Products Business Units will be combined into one Finishing Business Unit, which will be headed by John R. Wandling as director.

The current Central Maintenance and Utilities Business Unit will remain as it is and will continue to be headed by Joe S. Kocot as director.

Former A.O. Smith executive Troy Ward will become director of Human Resources.

These four directors, along with the assistant general manager — Administration and Shojiro Ozeki, director of Technical Services, will form the Management Committee of the Granite City Division.

Kemp Beall, general manager of the Granite City Division, said that this smaller team will allow faster response, better communication, improved focus and maximum productivity.

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A HAPPY BIRTHDAY GIRL: Nora Stallings, 101, blows out the candle on her birthday cake Wednesday at Colonial Care Center. Earlier Wednesday, Stallings was featured on

NBC's Today Show by weatherman Willard Scott. Stallings, described as having a bright and witty personality, said, "I didn't expect this, but if I made it, why not you?"

(Staff photo by Pam Deepke/Hurd)

New Dobrey vote may be required

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — The controversial proposal for a residential development in the Dobrey Slough area may not reach the City Council floor next week because of a disputed vote taken by the city's Plan Commission.

Seventh Ward Alderman Jeff Worthen, chairman of the city's Planning and Zoning Committee, said Tuesday night the preliminary plan for Pine Lake Estates, the proposed subdivision, "did not pass the Plan Commission."

A motion to reject the proposal failed by a 5-3 vote of the Plan Commission on Jan. 10, Dennis Ross, Charlie Palus, Sandy Shaw and Chairman Phillip Theis voted against the motion. Don Tanase, Joe Ribbing and Charles Meyer voted in favor of the disapproval motion.

Tom Hewlett abstained from voting, with

reason. Hewlett is employed by the U.S. Corps of Engineers, which is currently investigating developer Steve Lathrop's actions.

The Corps issued Lathrop a cease and desist order in November and is requiring him to submit an application to build, since the area has been deemed a wetland protected by the Clean Water Act.

Facts and some of the other commissioners cited a precedent under which the four negative votes and the abstention on a disapproval motion are interpreted as five votes for approval, allowing the proposal to reach the council as "recommended."

The Plan Commission's recommendation was expected to be presented to the council on Jan. 22.

But according to Worthen, "Under Robert's Rules of Order on a negative motion... there is no recommendation."

Worthen said, "We'll send it back to the Plan Commission for their recommendation

for approval or disapproval, and also with our recommendation of questions they need to answer (regarding) whose law takes precedence."

Is it the U.S. Corps of Engineers' mandate? Is it the county mandate? Or does the city, as a home-rule municipality, take precedence?" he asked.

"We definitely need a write-off from the Metro East Sanitary District, since they are the body that is in control of stormwater runoff in this area. We need a stamp of approval there," Worthen said.

MESD Executive Director Walter "Shang" Grathouse was unavailable for comment.

Worthen continued, "There's too many unanswered questions. And I won't let anything pass this council floor unless these questions are answered, unless there is a two-thirds vote to override me, and I don't think on this council that will happen."

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County OKs Wal-Mart sewer loan

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — Amid some opposition, the Madison County Board passed a resolution Wednesday approving a \$25,000 economic development loan to Granite City.

The money will be used to improve West Pontoon Road and to extend sanitary sewers to a site where Wal-Mart has agreed to build a store.

Member Rudy Papa of Beulah, who serves on the board's grants committee, said the three-year loan will be given at an interest rate of 3 percent.

Alan Orban, Granite City's economic development director, has estimated the cost of the improvements at \$250,000 to \$300,000.

Member Harold Byers of Highland voted in favor of the resolution although he decried it as "economic blackmail." The improvements should not have to be done just so Wal-Mart would come, Byers said.

"I think it's ironic that we're loaning money to one of the richest companies in the country," Byers said.

He said Wal-Mart's arrival in Granite City

would force out small businesses, as allegedly occurred in Highland.

Board Chairman Nelson Hagauer of Granite City pointed out that the money is not being loaned to Wal-Mart, but to Granite City.

"(The improvements) are not being done just for Wal-Mart."

"It's being done for the city of Granite City," Hagauer said. "Other businesses will locate there too."

The Wal-Mart site is on the west side of Illinois 3 where it intersects with West Pontoon Road, just north of John Novotny Chevrolet.

Member Richard Worthen of Alton was the only member to vote against the resolution.

"I could have supported it but it's time to draw a line," Worthen said. "If a profit-making business causes any changes to be made, then the costs should be absorbed by that businessman."

That includes sewers and highways, Worthen said. While the store could provide up to 250 new jobs, they will be low-paying and force several small shop owners out of work, Worthen predicted.

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Problems will be solved, Fears says

By Ed Gurney
Staff writer

COLLINSVILLE — A new loan agreement will solve the Holiday Inn's financial problems, said Gary Fears, a partner in the hotel.

"It's clearly in the best interest of the state and the hotel," Fears told a reporter Tuesday.

"This is without a doubt a permanent solution to the hotel's problems."

"It insures the prosperity of not only the hotel, but also the convention center," Fears said.

Outgoing state treasurer Jerry Cosentino approved the controversial loan agreement shortly before he left office Monday.

The interest rate on a loan Fears received from the state was reduced to 6 percent from 8 percent.

When Fears, a former Granite City area resident, received a \$13.4 million loan in 1982, the interest rate was 12.25 percent. The loan was restructured for the first time in 1987. The amount owed has grown to \$17 million.

Fears said the hotel "is coming off its best year we've had and we expect to do even better in 1991."

Boris C. Gitcho of Granite City, who reportedly has a 60-percent ownership interest in the

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Nora Helen Bonebrake
Ruth Ann (Mitchell) Long
Carroll Amos Pinson
Emil N. Lindhorst
Mae Alice Jones

Lottery

Results in Illinois were:

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Jan. 13: 029; Pick 4: 4052
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75 years ago

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1916

The Madison County Good Roads Committee was good at a meeting held Monday at the Courthouse in Edwardsville. The purpose of the committee is to lay before the Board of Supervisors plans for issuance of a million and a quarter dollars worth of bonds for hard roads throughout the county.

Trivia

What is the penalty for violating the Dobrey Slough moratorium?

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Venice police officer charged with official misconduct

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

VENICE—Venice police officer John Adams III was charged Tuesday by Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine with three counts of official misconduct, a class 3 felony.

The charges state Adams, 25, of the 1200 block of Klein Street "knowingly and unlawfully" possessed a controlled substance, cocaine; "while on duty he knowingly converted official material evidence, cocaine, a controlled substance... for his own personal use or benefit"; and "while on duty he knowingly, while under oath, testified falsely."

Haine said that on Monday, during the trial of Lawrence Lewis, 48, of St. Louis on charges of possession with intent to distribute cocaine, it was discovered through the testimony of Steven Avedesian, a forensic scientist in the Illinois State Police crime lab, that "bags presented into evidence were not bags (Avedesian) (had) returned to the Venice Police Department."

Haine said Assistant State's Attorney Randy Massey requested a recess, consulted with Haine and, after the case against Lewis was dismissed,

Haine directed Captain Bob Hertz, chief of detectives in the Madison County sheriff's office, to arrest Adams.

It is now believed the bags of evidence presented at the trial contained "baking soda or some similar substance," Haine said. Haine said a grand jury investigation is being undertaken, and further charges could result.

Adams has admitted in a statement to tampering or stealing the evidence in seven or eight cases, according to Haine.

The Lewis case is the first in a series in which Adams allegedly tampered with evidence; those cases will all have to be dropped, according to Haine.

Massey emphasized that the arrests and charges in those now "labeled" cases were all legitimate, and that the alleged tampering occurred after the crime lab had analyzed the evidence.

Because the evidence may have been tampered with, the charges will have to be dropped, Massey said.

In his statement, Adams characterized himself as "an addict," according to Haine, who called the matter "a tragic occurrence in many ways."

"He (Adams) was entrusted

as evidence officer," Venice Police Chief Bill Reed said. "You have to trust someone to do these things, and we trusted him."

Ironically, suspicions about Adams were raised recently by his failure to appear to testify in a case last week. This caused Haine and Reed to confer Monday morning, at which time they

decided to open an investigation into Adams' "unprofessional behavior."

Haine emphasized, though, that he had no idea of impropriety specifically in the Lewis case.

He called it a coincidence, "almost providential," that the investigation began on the same day that testimony revealed

alleged impropriety.

Adams is currently being held in the Madison County Jail. Haine is asking for \$150,000 total bond on the three charges, and will ask for prison time to be served if the officer is convicted.

The penalty for a conviction on an official misconduct charge is probation to five years in prison, Massey said.

Reed said the incident will not tarnish the reputation of his police force.

"We have a rather small department," he said. "There's always a bad apple. But we still have outstanding officers on our department."

"They (drug users and dealers) think this will slow us up. But they're wrong."

Venice police department receives high praise

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

VENICE—The problems of Patrolman John Adams III cannot be traced to either the lack of a truly full-time chief or the low rate of pay at the department.

That is the viewpoint of Alderman Silver Franklin, chairman of the Police Committee.

Franklin said Wednesday that both were frequent "gripes, but not really problems" at the police department.

In the past, Franklin had said that the fact Chief Bill Reed worked outside the department might mean the department is without a hands-on chief when Reed is at his second job.

"But the thing with Adams doesn't reflect on the chief at all," Franklin said. "Even if the chief was there 24 hours a day, he couldn't possibly watch everything an officer does."

"It's like a child—you can't always tell what they're doing when you're not right there looking over their shoulder."

Franklin said the salary level in Venice is at the "low end of the pay scale," but said the city hires qualified officers.

"They are screened, tested, trained well, sent to the academy," Franklin said. "We're not just hiring people off the street. Top people get top consideration."

Like any small municipality, Franklin said, Venice is not able to match the pay of larger communities.

But he said the officers do receive overtime and other compensation and benefits for their work.

While many Venice officers leave the department for other law enforcement jobs, Franklin said, some do choose to stay.

"I think our officers that have gone other places prove we are hiring quality people," Franklin said.

"We have former officers working with the State Police, the Madison County sheriff, the Madison County Probation Department, Granite City and a lot of other departments."

Franklin said he couldn't comment on the city's plans for dealing with Patrolman Adams, but he said the problem shouldn't reflect on the chief, other police officers or the police department.

"I want to stress this was an individual thing," Franklin said. "We have a very adequate system, but it can't always cover the path taken by an individual."

Dispositions

Jail for welfare fraud

Paula Dukes, 48, of the 500 block of Mercedosa Street, Venice, was sentenced Jan. 7 on a charge of state benefit fraud.

Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner sentenced Dukes to one year of intensive probation and six months in the Madison County Jail.

Dukes was also ordered to pay \$4,229 in restitution to the Illinois Department of Public Aid.

She was charged in September 1990 after the IDPA discovered that Dukes received benefits from October 1989 until May 1989 that she was not entitled to.

Dukes did not notify the IDPA that her husband was employed for a minimum of 100 hours a month. State law requires that such information be supplied within five days.

Prison in cocaine case
Rozelle Williams, 38, of Garceshe Homes, Madison, was sentenced Jan. 2 to three years in a state prison for unlawful possession of more than 15 grams of cocaine but less than 15 grams of cocaine.

Williams was sentenced by Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner. The charge, which was reduced through a plea negotiation from unlawful delivery of a controlled substance, stems from a July 24, 1988, incident.

Put on year's probation
Richard A. Paul, 25, of the 2200 block of Edwards Street, was sentenced Dec. 28 to one year of probation for attempted theft of over \$300 value.

The charge was reduced from attempted burglary. Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner also ordered Paul to pay \$100 in restitution.

In an April 21, 1990, incident, Paul used a rock to break out a panel board in a building. The building, in the 2800 block of Madison Avenue, is owned by Don Bricker.

Fined on drug charge

Marvin E. Treadway, 18, of the 600 block of Lincoln Avenue, Venice, was sentenced Dec. 17 to two years probation and fined \$910 for unlawful possession of a controlled substance. The sentence was handed down by Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner.

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3-year burglary term

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Home burglary charged

Jason Michael Coggins, 18, of the 1700 block of Market Street was charged with residential burglary when arrested at 1:35 p.m. Jan. 8 at Sixth and Parish streets.

Coggins appeared in the Granite City court at 3 p.m. Jan. 10. He was released on a property bond, pending a hearing.

The charge stemmed from a burglary reported at 12:35 a.m. Jan. 8 at a residence in the 1600 block of Fourth Street. The house had been ransacked and several items were missing, police said.

Parked truck looted
Property valued at \$1,498 was taken in a burglary of a Freightliner truck parked at the Gateway Midstate Truck Plaza, 699 Illinois 203, it was reported at 4:11 a.m. Jan. 11 by truck driver Eric Scott Garber of Manchester, Ind.

Garber said he went into the truck stop restaurant for coffee and later discovered the glass bro-

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ken in the driver's door of the truck.

Stolen were assorted Craftsman tools and a red tool box valued at \$380; a radar detector worth \$195; a citizen-band radio valued at \$189; two Pioneer speakers worth \$120; an AM/FM radio and cassette player valued at \$190; two CB speakers worth \$20; and \$24 cash.

To report a crime or accident in Madison, call 876-4300

Coach Baker calls emergency meeting

Gene Baker, soccer coach at Granite City High School, has called an emergency meeting for noon Saturday.

A man involved in a traffic accident eventually was booked on two charges, one a felony offense, at 5:45 p.m. Jan. 9.

Darrell C. Miller, 23, of the 1600 block of Fourth Street, Madison, was charged with possession of a controlled substance and with battery.

After an appearance at the Granite City court, Miller posted \$1,502 bail and was released at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 10.

Miller was charged after his auto and a pickup truck operated by Donald L. Scott, 42, of East 23rd Street, collided at Broadway and Klein Street.

When police arrived, Scott alleged the driver of the car had struck him repeatedly after the collision had occurred.

Prior to the alleged battery, Miller had removed his jacket. When a police sergeant saw the suspect pick up his jacket and hand it to a man standing on the street corner, the officer grabbed the bystander and took possession of the jacket.

A pill bottle containing rock cocaine allegedly was found in the jacket pocket.

Miller's car was towed, pending proceedings to seize the vehicle.

The gathering will be held in the high school's gymnasium annex, Coach Baker said last night.

He is encouraging former Warrior soccer players and the parents of current and former GCHS soccer players to attend.

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PARADE HONORS DREAM: Members of New Salem Missionary Baptist Church and other Venice citizens held their ninth annual parade in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Sunday. After the march from Market Street to the church on Klein Street, they were joined by others for a program saluting the civil rights leader.

(Staff photo by Pam Doepke-Hurd)

King daughter: Where is student power?

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — On what would have been her father's 62nd birthday, Bernice King Tuesday delivered a rousing speech on war in the Persian Gulf to a packed Meridian Ballroom audience at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

The 27-year-old daughter of slain civil rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. told the gathering that her father would be greatly disappointed by the Persian Gulf crisis.

"He would be terribly disappointed in terms of where we are today — looking war in the face," King said.

She said that the United States "created" Iraqi President Saddam Hussein by selling him billions of dollars worth of tanks, guns, planes, missiles and chemicals during Iraq's war with its neighbor, Iran.

"Today, all of those (weapons) marked 'made in the USA' are pointing at us," King said. "If he (Hussein) is irrational, then it is we who are stupid."

King criticized the United States' refusal to participate in an international peace conference at this time.

"To start a war without addressing the Palestinian/Israeli issue is to rob justice of its true meaning," King said.

"If we remove Saddam Hussein and his troops by force, that's all we would accomplish — at the expense of many innocent lives."

King encouraged current students to revive students' traditionally active role.

"Where is all that student power today?" King asked.

"Our nation needs our young,

now more than ever before. When students stand, a nation stands; when they sit, a nation sits as well."

King blamed many of the problems of today, including the threat of war, on the evils of greed.

"We have become too preoccupied with getting as much as you can as fast as you can from whoever you can and then putting the lid on the can," King said.

King said her father once believed there were "just wars" but later changed to a strict non-violent stance.

"For him, violence only begot violence," King said. "The choice today is no longer between violence and non-violence — it's between non-violence and non-existence."

King, who holds a bachelor of science degree in psychology,

simultaneously received a doctorate of law and a master's of divinity degrees in May.

She works as a law clerk for Judge Glenda Johnson in Fulton County, Ga.

King said her appearance at the university was something her father would be proud of, as it fulfilled one of his dreams.

"My father said he wanted his four little babies not to be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character," King said.

"I think I was asked here on the content of my character."

King said that dreamers are important people who, like her father did, uphold the ideals of equality, peace and justice.

"History has taught us that one can kill a dreamer but one cannot kill an idea whose time has come."

Brooklyn man dies in home fire

BROOKLYN — A faulty coal stove was probably responsible for the death of an elderly Brooklyn man in a fire that destroyed his home and his neighbor's house at about 3 a.m. Tuesday.

Louise Johnson, 91, of the 300 block of Jefferson Avenue was pronounced dead at 5:40 a.m. Tuesday by St. Clair County Deputy Coroner Al Ransom after firefighters found Johnson on the floor in a rear room of the frame dwelling.

"He had third- and fourth-degree burns pretty well over his entire body," Fire Chief Jerome Harris said Wednesday.

The victim was taken to the Officer Funeral Home in East St. Louis.

"The state fire marshal was

here about an hour ago and he believes the fire was possibly due to a faulty coal stove," Harris said.

An adjacent home also was destroyed when the fire spread. Joe Flagg, who lives next door to Johnson and is also in his 90s, got out safely, Harris said.

Firefighters were alerted to the fire by Brooklyn Police Lt. Dwight Harris, who saw smoke coming from the Johnson house. The police officer alerted two women relatives of Johnson who were inside the residence, and got them outside.

He then aroused Flagg and helped to get him out of his house, Jerome Harris said.

"Mr. Flagg is all right and is staying with someone," the fire chief said.

Body bag prompts shouting match at SIU-Edwardsville

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — A white body bag lay in the snow Tuesday in front of the University Center, where 35 war protesters gathered to sing peace songs and carry signs.

An identity tag on the bag at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville was marked "unknown." The doctor listed was "G. Bush" and the date of expiration: Jan. 15.

Members of the Student Environment Action Coalition and Tribe were joined by three members of the St. Louis-based Student Coalition for Peace.

"War will be a disaster for us and for the Iraqi people," Bob Blain, an SIUE sociology professor, told onlookers.

"We can't make peace with war. How long is it going to take us to learn that?"

Blain said he learned a lot from the Vietnam War, which he said was fought for reasons that were not valid.

One difference between the two scenarios is the present United Nations involvement.

"This time, we've taken the United Nations down the path to war with us," Blain said. "It's a disgrace."

The United States paid no attention to the causes for the

Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Blain said. He said the Iraqis were suffering from an eight-year war with Iran.

The demonstrators had planned to hold a "teach-in/peace rally" in the Goshen Lounge but the area was already set up for a reception for guest speaker Bernice King.

King is the daughter of slain civil rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose 62nd birthday fell on the same day a United Nations resolution gave as a deadline for Iraqi troops to leave Kuwait.

The protest moved outside because sign-carriers were forbidden in the building, according to Patrick Duffy of the SCP.

The group was later allowed to display its signs in the building after meeting with members of the Black Student Association.

The outdoor demonstration temporarily turned into a shouting match when student body vice president Mike Stewart voiced his dissatisfaction with the group.

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Jam night Saturday at 'Y'

The Tri-City Area YMCA will hold its Junior High Jam Night on Saturday, Jan. 19, for 7th and 8th graders from 7 to 9 p.m. Activities include swim, volleyball, basketball, listening to music and dancing.

Paula Stanley is the staff person in charge. The cost is \$2 per student.

"We are limited to 50 participants. Parents are urged to register their kids early," Stanley said.

Shimkus prepared for tour of duty in Gulf

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Madison County Treasurer John Shimkus feels secure that he won't be called to serve in Operation Desert Shield ... for now.

The 32-year-old Collinsville Republican, elected to the treasurer post in November, serves in the Army Reserve in the Quartermaster Battalion of Supply and Services.

Shimkus has 14 years of military experience, including attending military school and serving five and a half years in the Army.

"It's a part of my life," Shimkus said of the military.

Shimkus said he didn't think

his unit would be called upon for at least another month despite Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's defiance of a United Nations resolution demanding that Iraqis leave Kuwait.

The resolution gave Hussein until Jan. 15 to voluntarily withdraw his troops and calls for the use of any means, including force, to remove those troops after that date.

"We just drilled last weekend and, if we were going right away, I think people would have been a lot more nervous," Shimkus said Wednesday. "My wife's pretty worried about it."

But if a conflict with Iraq would last longer than 30 to 45 days, his unit would probably be called, Shimkus said.

All of the active duty supply and service units have already been deployed to the Persian Gulf, leaving only the Reserves, Shimkus said. Among the duties of Shimkus' unit are baking bread, washing and sewing clothes, driving trucks and burying the dead.

Shimkus was already aware that he could be put on active duty when he was sworn in as county treasurer Dec. 3.

After defeating three-time incumbent Michael "Mick" Henkhaus in the November general election, Shimkus became the first Republican to head a

county office in six years.

Despite his county official status, Shimkus said state law would require him to serve if his unit was to be activated.

The Madison County Board would appoint another treasurer in his absence but Shimkus would resume his post upon his return, he said.

Shimkus said he is unhappy about the prospect of war.

"I don't want to (serve) because I would hope there would be peace," Shimkus said. "But if called upon, I would serve."

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Editorials

Edgar focusing on schools

As might have been expected, Gov. Jim Edgar's thoughts last night were on the just-started Middle East war. He voiced hope that the fighting will be brief and that the loss of life will be small.

But with the reins of our state government in new hands as of Jan. 14, what can be expected? Metro East? The answer is that he will give stronger emphasis to the improvement and funding of universities and public schools. An example of why this is essential is Granite City schools' announcement yesterday that they will attempt to trim \$1 million in yearly costs effective in July 1991 and may have to make even more drastic cuts in the 1992-93 year.

Edgar notes that one-fourth of students fail to graduate and that many employees, including high school graduates, need added classes to meet the demands of work and technology. He says, "We must demand and provide quality education at every level and every corner of Illinois."

He pledges no state tax increases other than extension of the current income tax surcharge, and hopes to curb the "skyrocketing" level of local property taxes. He will seek to upgrade the environment and will put a bright spotlight on wasteful or excessive bureaucratic costs.

There also are indications that the state will give greater financial backing to municipalities and counties.

The Edgar era could be a good one for southwestern Illinois and the entire state.

Serving Sherwood Forest?

It's well known that Illinois Bell has offices throughout the state. Now, apparently, the telephone company has opened a new branch facility in Sherwood Forest.

At least it seems that way with the utility's introduction of Link Up II, a program in which it would be music to the ears of Robin Hood and his Merry Men.

For, like Robin and his cohorts, the folks at Illinois Bell are taking from the rich (and not so rich) and giving to the poor.

The federal program, targeted at providing phone service at a discounted rate to low-income residents, is being funded at a 50 percent level by the federal government.

That's the good news.

The bad news is that the remaining funds will come from a 15-cent surcharge that will be tacked on to monthly phone bills of most Illinois Bell customers beginning Feb. 1. The only group exempted will be the low-income residents participating in the program.

Illinois Bell officials say they hope that the state will eventually supplement the federal funding, thus eliminating the need for the extra charge. We hope that day will come soon — especially for Madison County residents, who are paying a 65-cent surcharge on phone bills for a 911 emergency telephone system that is expected to go on line next year.

Meanwhile, in these tough economic times, those who are getting by should not be punished further by paying yet another tax on what has to be considered less than a "luxury" item.

Enemy unites us in war, yet divides us at home

We are at war. It is hard to sit in the comfortable surroundings of this newspaper office and not feel discomfort. Thousands of miles away my countrymen are fighting an enemy whose march on a neighbor nation unites a world in anger.

This column is being written as I listen to air raid sirens being broadcast from American air bases in Saudi Arabia. In the minutes leading up to the sirens, announcers told of the first U.S. raiders upon Iraq's war machinery in Baghdad and Kuwait.

After five months of waiting, the inevitable came reality at sometime around 5 p.m. yesterday.

Earlier in the week, I had prepared a piece expressing my dislike of the anti-war protests that have swept the nation. I adapted that to what you are reading now. It seems so strange to me that the world could be so united against aggression on one hand, yet so many could be just as opposed in our own country.

I wonder whose side the protesters are on.

The chant of "no blood for oil" has haunted the television networks, even as American F-15's were swooping down upon Iraq. Some protesters have stooped to burning U.S. flags. They are despicable, but their act is constitutionally protected. What they want to say is they hate any kind of American involvement in war. What they are actually saying is that they fail to recognize the true importance of Desert Shield, now Desert Storm.

Protesters cannot understand that without a solid United States effort, there will be no peace in the Middle East. There may be no financial stability in the western world.

I know there will be no groundswell of support for a Persian Gulf war, because no humanitarian can be happy with death. But the majority of our duly elected leaders have agreed with this use of force, after long, tiring hours of debate. The rest of us should fall back now to a reliance on the ideals of this nation. Foremost among them is that this country cannot allow acts of aggression by one nation against another.

What the country needs most is solid support for its military cause. Saddam Hussein's notion of victory is to split the allegiance of the military coalition formed against him. Or to split the grassroots support of that coalition.

Protesters won't stand for U.S. military aggression, but they are willing to be aggressive against making visible fools of themselves and their countrymen every time a TV camera nears. They do a great disservice to our troops.

Never in the service, I am probably no better equipped to comment on the nature of war than most of the young protesters. However, I have one thing that the protesters don't seem to have — a love of my country, an understanding of its principles and a belief that the U.S. should not ignore a world wrong.

It took the power of television and the rebellion of a nation to get Americans to withdraw from Saigon in 1975. But that situation was far different than today's. We had no clear objectives in Vietnam. We had no clear superiority of weaponry. We had fewer vested interests. We started out as a nation united and ended as a nation divided.

In this war we have started out as a nation divided. Tell the half a million soldiers and sailors going into the crusty terrain of Saudi Arabia that they are fighting a needless battle, and you might get more than a few fierce words of response. Our troops understand the cause of peace is being advanced in a way they might not necessarily prefer, but they know it is right.

That sad fact is lost upon the flag-burners, who after a hard day of discord, can still go home to their feather beds.

Dennis Grubaugh is executive city editor of the Journals.



Letters

Thank goodness, U.S. invested in military

Our guest

The following is by Dr. Herbert London, dean, Gallatin Division, since 1972. He is a noted social critic whose work has appeared in virtually every major newspaper in the country.

It became something of a refrain during the Reagan presidency for critics to say defense spending was out of control.

Congressional naysayers testified that the fancy electronic hardware won't work and, even if it does, it's too expensive to use. Moving inevitably through the byways of Washington corridors, this argument became accepted as fact.

It was also maintained that more artillery shells and conventional tanks were needed rather than the long-forgotten precision-guided munitions.

During these debates on defense expenditures, critics with decidedly pacifist instincts and old-fashioned warriors made common cause.

Confusing the already murky discussion was the belief that electronic gadgetry was an example of wasteful spending, a manifestation of Pentagon profligacy.

Congress, increasingly involved in micromanagement, attempted to balance budget needs with military realities. However, it rarely understood military needs and invariably made concessions to budgetary strictures.

Nonetheless, largely through the persistence of Reagan administration officials and several secretaries of Defense, investment in military electronics was made.

At today's time in history, with war clouds in the Persian Gulf, it is possible to assess military expenditures in the 1980s. Was the investment in electronic hardware advisable? Were military recommendations sensible? Did Congress act responsibly?

It should be apparent now that avionics is the U.S. trump card against sophisticated Iraqi missiles. Ground-to-air missiles can neutralize Iraqi SCUD missiles and jamming devices should be

able to thwart air-to-ground communication.

Based on the expected role of advanced electronic hardware, it would appear that the investment in this equipment is paying dividends at this very moment, even though the actual role of this equipment in battle cannot be assessed.

While Congress' natural instinct for defense appropriation retrenchment wasn't realized, the micromanagement of military affairs in the Eighties did not take into account the untidiness of war and the seeming need for weapons technology that can neutralize the war machine of our adversaries.

Purchasing weapons is not comparable to buying a new car. One knows how a car will be used and how many miles it will be expected to travel.

Weapons, on the other hand, are only as good as the advantage they provide. Against some foes, Weapon X will be more advantageous than against other foes. In a multi-polar world, it is knowing what to purchase is dependent on guessing which of many missions might be

required.

If the Cold War is over, diversification of our forces is needed. Diversify light and heavy infantry, short- and long-range missiles and heavy and light armor. The problems with diversification are expense and inherent complexity.

Congress wants simple and inexpensive answers. Yet it should be clear that managing military purchases is an art form, not a science. Knowing where to make investments and where to avoid them is a function of crystal ball gazing.

At the risk of challenging the conventional wisdom, defense expenditures are, and probably always will be, inefficient.

Savings might well be achieved, but when that happens we sometimes put American lives in danger and jeopardize their missions.

As the war clouds in the Middle East darken, it is useful to recall that our ability to defeat Saddam Hussein in battle depends fundamentally on military investments made in the 1980s amid cries of wastefulness and inefficiency.

New governor will boost education in Illinois

To the editor:

For the first time in 14 years, Illinois has a new governor. Charles J. W. Edgar was sworn in on Jan. 14.

The signs are positive that education will have a new champion.

Gov. Edgar has repeatedly pledged his commitment to education reform and making Illinois' schools second to none in the nation.

As an educator, I am encouraged and hopeful for the future. But as an educator, I also know that achieving that goal will not be easy.

Gov. Edgar is correct when he says that many significant improvements can be made with little or no additional funding. Reform is needed at all levels of education.

It is truly achieve progress — to make our education system — that provides access, opportunity and success for both privileged and underprivileged children and adults in Illinois' schools second to none in the nation.

The inequity of funding at the elementary and secondary level is creating two classes of public schools in Illinois.

The universities are trying to hold together buildings that are literally crumbling, and to compete for faculty and staff in an increasingly stringent fiscal environment.

Gov. Edgar has not wavered in his support for adequate education funding, specifically the extension of the income tax surcharge.

But he is also facing a budget gap of millions, with a recession looming.

He faces a tremendous effort in the next four years, one he has wisely chosen to share with the business sector in the state. His proposed education-business

partnership to improve schools and prepare the workers of the future holds great promise.

As a graduate of the Charleston school system and of a Board of Governors university, Eastern Illinois, Gov. Edgar knows first-hand the existing strengths of Illinois' educational system.

He also recognizes the educational system's needs.

The combination bodes well for the students of this state as well as for the rest of us.

THOMAS D. LAYZELL, Chancellor, Board of Governors Universities



Dennis Grubaugh

People shouldn't have to pay others' phone bills

To the editor:

I read your article in Wednesday's Journal about Link Up Two. If the working person pays the low-income family's phone bill, who is going to pay for the working man's phone?

I read that article and I was so angry. I called Mr. (U.S. Rep. Jerry) Costello's office and then they told me to call (State Rep.) Sam Wolf's office. Then they gave me a number in Springfield to call.

When I was talking to the people in Springfield they said there wasn't anything that they could do. Congress had passed it and I told them that there was something I could do. I'm not going to pay it.

I will pay for the phone calls I made but I won't pay for the surcharge. They said that the phone company would take out my phone and I told them to go ahead; that will be one less bill I don't have to worry about. I can't wait two blocks and use a pay phone.

I think this should be up to the voters, not the government telling us we have to pay someone else's phone bill. That is ridiculous.

The phone is a luxury just like a TV. If you can't afford it, don't get it.

If you know, the working man is going to have to pay for the TV and furniture in their house.

That's like saying a lot of the elderly are getting too much Social Security and they won't be able to still get it. I think the elderly need it most of all on account of their health.

I don't mind helping the low-income, but they have to start helping themselves.

I don't mind at all helping out the poor, who really need it. But I know it to be a fact that a lot of these people who are on state aid or Supplemental Security Income could get off of their seats and do like my husband did.

My husband got laid off at Lucille Steel in Madison for just about two years and he worked on cars and did odd jobs for people so we could survive.

We didn't have a phone then because we couldn't afford it. Then he got transferred to the Alton plant and then we got one.

The federal government said they are going to pay half; why don't they pay all of it?

The government gives millions of our tax dollars to other countries. We need to take care of the people in the good old USA first.

I think they will change their minds. One or two people can't do anything, but if a lot of people respond we can make a change.

So, please write or call before Feb. 1 because that is when it takes effect.

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Woman tries to spread word on syndrome

By Jim Haverstick
Staff writer

Five-year-old Dustin has some quiet days, but they are few and far between. Most of the time, he is erratic, often uncontrollable. He has been like this since the day he was born.

"I moved from one end of the crib to the other by myself the day I brought him home from the hospital," said Terri, his mother. "At seven months, he couldn't walk yet but he climbed out of his crib."

Dustin, of Collinsville, suffers from a common, but seldom-diagnosed, condition known as Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Terri said.

Terri asked that her and Dustin's last name not be printed. ADHD has no clear-cut definition and its cause is still unknown.

It's a complex behavioral disorder, marked by very short attention spans, impulsiveness and hyperactivity, said Dr. Tracy Ware, a psychiatrist at St. Louis University Medical Center and Cardinal Glennon Hospital in St. Louis, where she treats many patients with this disorder.

In Dustin's case, he'll suddenly stop playing and run into another room for no apparent reason, or he'll become obsessed with a particular object and do anything to get it, even at the risk of personal injury, Terri said.

Other symptoms, Ware said, include constant fidgeting, difficulty following instructions, and difficulty staying in one place any length of time.

Most people would simply label ADHD children as hyperactive, she said. This is one of the biggest problems surrounding ADHD — it is frequently overlooked.

When a problem is recognized, it is often misdiagnosed as hyperactivity, retardation, autism or simply a behavioral problem, Ware added.

Even when ADHD is accurately diagnosed, it may go untreated because there is no known medical cure and because there's no one specific origin of the problem, Terri said. Dustin's problems are linked to a chemical imbalance in his brain, she said.

Dustin takes the drug Ritalin to control his mood swings and Terri must teach him behavior modification at home, she said.

Almost 10 percent of all school-age children suffer from ADHD, Terri said. The symptoms make it difficult for children to learn. ADHD children often are held back in school because teachers think they are simply immature.

Terri wants to make sure no more ADHD children are overlooked by parents, doctors or the school system.

That is why Terri is working to have ADHD legally declared a handicap. If the law recognizes it as a handicap, then schools must provide special programs for children with the disorder.

Terri and many other parents across the country would like to have ADHD tacked onto the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

This bill, presently being studied by a U.S. Senate committee, provides for declares who is and who is not eligible for special education programs, said Judy Wagner, an assistant to U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, D-Madison, who supports the bill.

"This is not a personal crusade. Dustin is my first priority, of course, but I want to make sure that my kid and other kids like him have the same chance for an education as other kids do," she said.

Terri has no qualms about Dustin's present teacher. Because of a speech impediment, Dustin is already in a special school program, but not all ADHD children are lucky enough to have a good teacher, Terri said.

Many school districts refuse to acknowledge ADHD as a problem, while others try to classify it as a learning disability, Wagner said.

"School officials claim that the needs of these children are already being met when appropriate," she said.

One couple in Terri's ADHD Parent Support Group said a school principal suggested they have their child exorcised for demons by a priest.

If ADHD was made a part of the IDEA bill, parents would no longer have to fight the school system. By law, school districts would be required to acknowledge ADHD, provide adequate special programs, and have a plan to mainstream higher functioning students, Terri said.

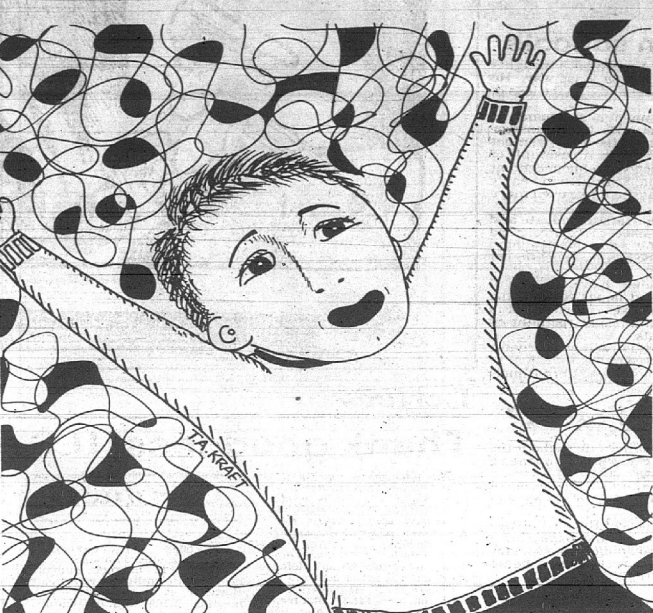
IDEA was introduced last year to the U.S. House of Representatives, then referred to the U.S. Senate, where it was turned over to a special committee for more rewriting.

ADHD is the main subject of debate. Many people want to exclude it from the bill, Wagner said.

To help clear up the debate, the Department of Education placed a notice in the Federal Register, No. 29, asking for public comments on special education for children with ADHD.

The Department of Education will accept comments until March 29, 1991, and the Senate committee will then review these comments before rewriting the bill, she said.

It could take years for the bill to be completed.



Disorder can be treated

By Jim Haverstick
Staff writer

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder is not easy to diagnose. It's recognized only by the severity of its symptoms. Many different things can trigger the symptoms, such as a chemical imbalance in the brain or severe emotional trauma, but the origin of the disorder is unknown, said Dr. Tracy Ware, a psychiatrist at St. Louis University Medical Center and Cardinal Glennon Hospital in St. Louis.

Ware treats many children with this disorder. Many of the symptoms, such as a short attention span or fidgeting, are normal behavior for a small child. They are only considered to be symptoms of ADHD when they are exhibited in an extreme manner, she said.

Often interrupts or intrudes on others. Often does not seem to listen. Often engages in physically dangerous activities without considering possible consequences.

There is no cure for ADHD; however, there are treatments. The drugs Ritalin and Immitram are sometimes used for children who have ADHD. They are amphetamines, but act as barbiturates or downers when used in children. They do not attack any specific facet of the disease, they only act to slow down hyperactive children so that they can be taught to broaden their attention span.

"The most important treatment is to work on behavior," Ware said. "Neither drugs nor behavior modification can work alone."

Through talking with other parents, she has learned that if she had trouble coping with every day problems, there must be other people out there with the same problem, Pam said.

Parents need a chance to escape from the daily trauma, and discuss the ups and downs of their lives with people who understand their problem, said Pam, the founder of the group.

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There is no cure for ADHD; however, there are treatments. The drugs Ritalin and Immitram are sometimes used for children who have ADHD. They are amphetamines, but act as barbiturates or downers when used in children. They do not attack any specific facet of the disease, they only act to slow down hyperactive children so that they can be taught to broaden their attention span.

"The most important treatment is to work on behavior," Ware said. "Neither drugs nor behavior modification can work alone."

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Local pastor bids farewell

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6711.

The Rev. Bill Owen was honored with a farewell dinner following the Sunday morning service at the Pontoon Baptist Church on Pontoon Road. Those attending were: Linda Boswell, Kristi and Angie Brigrum, Mr. and Mrs. George (Louise) Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. Harold (Connie) McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Pete (Lucy) Adams, Jill Chaney, Dee Owens and daughter, Melissa, Mr. and Mrs. Larry (Frances) Brake, Mr. and Mrs. Gary (Barbara) Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Izette) Stayduhar, Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Agnes) Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. Willard (Mary) Rainey, Mrs. Leta Kollenbourn, Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Dorothy) Rainey, Sylvia Massman, Shirley White, Debbie Stayduhar and daughter Caitlin, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry (Barbara) Rigby, Maggie Luffman, Mr. and Mrs. Rob (Lori) Froman and children, Jeff and Beth, Maxine Green, also Adam Hartman, Beverly Owen and Rev. and Mrs. Bill (Mary) Owen Winfield. The church members presented Rev. Owen with a beautifully inscribed desk set.

Wayne Lyons of Coulterville returned to his home after spending two weeks visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. (Mary) Andersen and sister Tina Lyons of Breckenridge Lane.

The Baptist Church of the Pontoon held plans at the last meeting and outlined the program for Baptist Men's Day, which will be Jan. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Bonnie) Haynes and daughters Joanne and Jennifer of North Adams, S.C., were recent guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. George (Louise) Haynes. Another son, Buddy Haynes, who is attending school at Indiana State University, also visited with them.

Shawn Nicol celebrated his fourth birthday Sunday evening with his family and friends at 308 Osprey Drive. Those attending were: his parents Mr. and Mrs. John (Julie) Nicol; a brother, Justin; uncle and aunt, Bruce and Donna Nicol; grandmother, Marion Kestel; grandfather, Kenneth Nicol; friends Christy, Kimberly and Brittany Staifolt; George and Louise Haynes; and Lois, Brenda, Shelly and Joey. There was a birthday cake and ice cream were enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. George (Louise) Haynes and daughter, George, Jr., returned to Indianapolis, Ind., on Jan. 9 and visited another son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Amanda) Haynes and daughters Amanda and Alice. From Jan. 10-12 George Jr. attended the IDEA Convention at the Adams Mark Hotel and then returned to Indiana State University, in Terre Haute, Ind., for another semester.

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New governor wants everyone's support, and he's going to need it

In the early 1940s, many Americans had never known a president other than Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In the early 1980s, many Illinoisans had never lived under a governor other than James R. Thompson.

But the situation changed at Springfield on Monday when Jim Edgar was sworn in before more than 5,000 people as this state's 40th chief executive.

AN ENTIRELY NEW ERA has begun, although Edgar had Thompson's endorsement and, like him, is a Republican.

With a twinkle in his eye, Edgar has noted that, unlike most Illinois governors in recent decades, he is not a lawyer.

There are many great attorneys, Edgar adds, but he says the state might benefit, for a while at least, from a governor who has a different perspective on people's needs.

He surely wasn't taking part in the sport of "lawyer bashing," but was trying to drive home his campaign point that

his opponent for governor was a lawyer, the state's top lawyer, retiring Attorney General Neil Hartigan.

STRATEGY CAN BACKFIRE and it did when Hartigan put heavy emphasis on ending the state income tax surcharge after two years, in June 1991.

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ANOTHER FACTOR in his victory may have been voters' desire to retain a balance of power at the state level.

As Edgar said early in the campaign, "Democrats already control the General Assembly, the mayor's office in Chicago, both U.S. Senate seats and the majority of our congressional delegation. But they want more control, more power."

A downstate (Charleston), Edgar added, "House Speaker Mike Madigan, a Chicago Democrat, knows that it will be time to draw new legislative districts in 1991."

If Democrats controlled both the legislative and executive branches, he could assure domination of the General Assembly for yet another decade — domination for the remainder of this century.

TO AVOID DEFICITS and higher taxes (other than the surcharge), Edgar will seek a two-year rather than an annual state

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Park tree planting program beginning

GRANITE CITY — The Park District is launching a new program, designed to assure that Wilson Park will be able to maintain its unique place in the community — an area of green, shade, and recreation for residents.

Under the program, Granite Citizens will participate in re-foresting areas of the park that have lost some of their "grand old trees," Director Steve Kessel said.

Families will be offered the opportunity to start a "new family tree" by planting a tree in the family's name. The cost of this planting will include a plaque which will designate who placed the tree there.

In addition, an individual, group or organization will be invited to plant a tree as a memorial to an individual, a member of a sponsoring group, the group itself, or in the name of a member of the family. This type of planting will be known as a "remembrance tree."

The program will also give school groups and other youth groups an opportunity to plant a tree that they may designate as "theirs," Kessel said.

The Park District is interested, in particular, in planting maples, oaks, ash trees, tulip, flowering trees, specimen (one of a kind) and some evergreen trees.

The cost of planting a tree will be determined by the size of the tree to be planted.

The smallest tree that will be planted will cost \$60, which includes the plaque (\$20) and a tree (\$40). The particular species of tree will also be a factor in the cost.

If desired, it is also possible to purchase trees without the plaque.

Anyone, or any group, interested in this program may contact the Wilson Park office at 877-3659.

All trees planted must be approved by the Park District, and the district will also designate approved areas for planting. Bill Monical, grounds supervisor, will be available to consult with people about this program.

A special day for planting will be held on the following Arbor Day, April 22. However, trees can be planted prior to that time, providing the ground is in condition to accept the planting.

County seeks women for scholarship pageant

Young women in Madison County are being recruited to compete for scholarship money by participating in the second annual Miss Madison County Scholarship Pageant.

The winner of the local competition will receive a minimum of \$1,500 in scholarship money, with proportional sums of scholarship monies available to the runners-up.

Seventy percent of the judging will be based on the seven-minute personal interview and the talent portion of the competition.

The reigning Miss Illinois, Jaclyn Greiner of Granite City, will be the guest of honor at the competition, which will be held March 23 on the campus of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

After winning the title of Miss Madison County 1990, Greiner went on to the Miss Illinois pageant, where she was first runner-up to Miss Illinois, and was recently crowned Miss Illinois when the state winner became Miss America.

The Miss Madison County Scholarship Pageant Inc. is a non-profit volunteer Illinois corporation which provides scholarship opportunities for women ages 17-26 who live, work or attend school in Madison County. There is no sponsorship or entrance fee required.

Prospective contestants may get more information by contacting Linda Murray at 931-5724.

The application deadline is Feb. 10.

Anderson acquires 3-D scanner

Anderson Hospital in Maryville has recently acquired the CT Face Plus, a state-of-the-art scanner with three-dimensional capabilities.

William Hureau, hospital administrator, said Anderson has become the first hospital in the Metro East to house and operate this advanced diagnostic equipment.

"The Face Plus is ushering in a new era of diagnostic testing in our radiology department," Hureau said. "The acquisition of this new equipment is one more example of our dedication to providing our community with the most advanced, cost effective technology and service."

Dr. Thomas Hill, medical director for radiology, said the scanner provides a cross-section picture of the body, including the head, chest, abdomen, pelvis,

neck or extremities. Additionally, the scanner is capable of giving three-dimensional views.

Donna Summers, director of radiology, said the new scanner will benefit hospital patients in two ways.

"The Face Plus increases scan speed, meaning the patient spends less time for the procedure, and it provides a better quality, higher resolution scan," Summers said. "The 3-D capabilities can further enhance the study. The end result is a much more thorough examination."

Dave Meizer, Cat Scan and MRI technologist, is one of the chief operators of the new equipment, which is already being used extensively since its installation before Christmas.

"The new CT Face Plus has the ultimate in capabilities as far as CTs go," Meizer said.

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LOOK MA, ALMOST NO HANDS! Jaime Wesbrook, 11, a fifth grader at Parkview Elementary School, practices juggling nelson scarfs Monday morning. Wesbrook and fellow fifth graders have just learned to juggle as part of a special program put on by the Illinois Juggling Institute of Chicago.

Haine decides not to go to Soviet Union

EDWARDSVILLE — Heck, no. He won't go. Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine has emphatically rejected an invitation that he travel to the Soviet Union and Europe next summer to meet professional counterparts "to discuss legal concerns centered on drinking and driving."

Haine was invited by the Citizen Ambassador Program, part of an organization seeking to improve international relations. The trip will include stops in Prague, Leningrad and Stockholm.

Haine told the group that neither he nor his office budget has

enough funds to allow him to go. "Secondly, I have no desire to go to the Soviet Union at this time, since they apparently are undergoing another period of repression by the army and the KGB."

"I honestly do not believe that our Anglo-American judicial system has anything to learn from the judicial or police procedures that are prevalent in the Soviet Union," Haine wrote in response to the invitation.

"Why any American lawyer or judge would want to go there, other than to see the historic treasures of the pre-Communist era, I have no idea."

Cheerleading clinic Monday at high school

The Granite City High School Cheerleading Organization will again sponsor a cheerleading clinic — on Monday, Jan. 21, at the high school annex.

The Clinic will begin at 8 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m. Participants will receive instruction in gymnastics, pyramid building, double stunts, sideline chants, cheerleading jumps and center cheers.

Everyone attending the clinic should bring a sack lunch; a drink will be provided by the cheerleaders. Bakery items will be available for purchase during lunch.

The cost of the clinic is \$15 per person; however, additional clinic items will need to pay only \$10.

The \$15 clinic price includes a souvenir sweatshirt. All attend-

ing must have a signed parent permission form and provide their own insurance.

To pre-register, students may send their name, parents' name, phone, school, grade, age, sweatshirt size and a check to Terry, Papa, c/o Granite City High School, 3101 Madison Ave., Granite City.

Checks should be made payable to GCHS Cheerleaders. Pre-registered people will receive their sweatshirt size first. Sweatshirt size is not guaranteed for those registering on the day of the clinic.

Participants may also register the morning of the clinic from 8-9 a.m. Children attending the clinic must be at least 4 years old. All participants should wear shorts or warm-ups, and tennis shoes.

Nurses receive certification

GRANITE CITY — Glenda Berrey and Vickie Rodgers, registered nurses at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, recently passed the Advanced Cardiac Life Support test sponsored by the American Heart Association.

Both have been at SEMC approximately one year and graduated in 1989 with associate degrees in nursing from Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey.

"The test was very stressful. But I knew the ACLS certification would be extremely benefi-

cial in my nursing," Rodgers said. "It dealt with code situations and how to evaluate those situations quickly and carefully for better patient care. That's a must in critical care."

According to Berrey, the test was a challenge for both nurses because they have only been out of school for about a year.

"I feel great about passing. It has helped build my confidence. But I must say the preparation we received for the test through SEMC's Critical Care orientation was excellent," Berrey said.

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Sale Saturday will close Auction House for good

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

Auctions are in their blood, so Bill Scaturro Jr. and his family aren't going to give up the business entirely.

But come Saturday night, The Auction House Company at 2256 Madison Ave. will close its doors. A final liquidation and consignment sale will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday.

"There are good auction people in Granite City and we hate to see it end. We want to thank each and every one of our customers for their support throughout the past eight years," Scaturro said Tuesday.

"My office desk, the podium, file cabinets and everything else will be auctioned off on Saturday night, including two nice boats," Scaturro said.

The pre-owned watercraft up for sale include a Crestliner with an 80 horsepower outboard motor and a fully equipped Terry bass boat with 50 horsepower motor.

A small Arkansas Traveler fishing boat with a 33 horsepower motor also will be put on the auction block Saturday night.

"We'll also offer two partial estates at auction with some furniture and glassware. It's all clean stuff coming from St. Louis," Scaturro said.

Other items to be sold at the liquidation sale are folding chairs, steel shelving, desks, lighted signs, a stainless steel sink, fans, benches, an ice maker, a chest-type Pepsi machine, gas stoves and hot dog machines, Scaturro said.

"We'll continue our on-site estate auctions and making appraisals on estates as we have in the past," he said.

Any indoor estate auctions will be held at the Cottonwood Mall on Illinois 159 in Edwardsville.

Scaturro has previously held special sales at the Cottonwood location, including antique sales, which have done well, he said.

"Mom and Dad are already down in Florida, kind of semi-retired, and we decided to shut down the consignment end of the business," he said.

The Auction House Co. has been a family affair. Everybody contributed and it worked out well for the family, Scaturro said.

"Mom (Shirley Scaturro) looked after all the advertising and bookkeeping and Dad (Bill Sr.) handled the cars and jewelry items. I've been doing the auctioneering and handling the antiques."

"Dad's been in business in Granite City for more than 40 years; 36 years with the body shop and eight in the auction business."

"We've done well for ourselves in the eight years here because it was a family operation, but it's been a six days a week job. The only day we took off was Sunday."

"I guess you could say they (parents) are partially retired. They enjoy it down in Florida during the winter months. They've been going there for quite a while," Bill Scaturro Jr. said.

The family will continue to maintain its primary residence in Granite City.

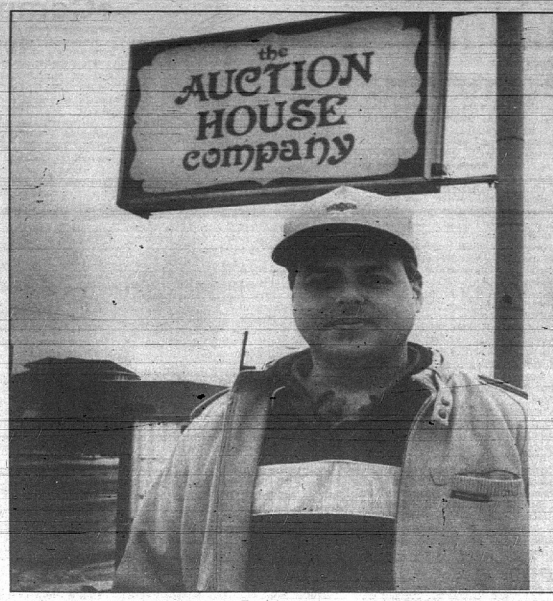
Although he plans to continue to help with the antique end of the auction business and at some sales, Bill Jr. also is going into a new phase of his selling career.

He is going to work on the sales force of Tan Marketing Co., located on Center Grove Road, Edwardsville.

The firm is owned by Tommy Niescur, who patented and is now marketing his sun-tanning Mister Chair invention.

Scaturro recently served as auctioneer at the Granite City Police Department's unclaimed property auction. It was a good auction and many participated because it was for a good cause, he said.

About \$7,000 contributed by the auction went to the Cottonwood Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program for elementary school children.



(Staff photo by Pam Doeppke-Hurd)
BILL SCATURRO JR. is getting ready to close the door at the Auction House Company, 2256 Madison Ave.

County to seek bids for recycling bins

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — The Madison County Board voted Wednesday to seek bids for plastic recycling bins to be given to county residents.

Board Member Richard Worthen of Alton, chairman of the Environmental Control Committee, said the bins would be given to Madison County communities as a "physical grant."

Worthen said he didn't know how many of the bins the county would ultimately purchase.

The bins would be paid for from \$100,000 budgeted for Solid Waste Management grants, Worthen said. The bids were being

sought to see how much the effort would cost.

Worthen said he was not sure how many communities would be interested in the project. Some area communities, including Edwardsville, Collinsville and Glen Carbon, have already distributed bins to their residents after establishing curbside recycling programs.

Paul Hawkins, administrator of the Madison County Solid Waste program, said the committee discussed with him making the bins available to county residents in unincorporated areas. But the committee has not yet decided on the matter.

"They discussed giving them

to those residents (in unincorporated areas) to keep their recyclable goods in, like cans," Hawkins said. "They're taxpayers, too."

Residents whose trash haulers do not offer curbside recycling would have to take their recyclable items to an area recycling center, Hawkins said.

The board Wednesday also approved a request from County Clerk Evelyn Bowles to use three election judges at each voter precinct instead of five in the April 2 election. Bowles requested the measure because there are not enough offices on some ballots to warrant the use of five judges in each precinct.

Bowles can use either three or five at her discretion.

Approved a \$9,670 bid from Armor Elevator Co. of St. Louis for emergency repairs to the hydraulic elevator at the Madison County Nursing Home.

Agreed to pay as much as \$6,400 toward installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Illinois 140 and Moreland Road in Bethalto.

Agreed to pay Assistant State's Attorney Lewis Mallott \$80 per hour to represent the county in the Village of Roxana landfill expansion hearings. Mallott's fees would be paid from the Solid Waste Management budget.

Reservist charged in desertion

EDWARDSVILLE — Eric Hayes, a Marine reservist who refused orders to report for duty Nov. 30, was formally charged Jan. 7 with desertion and missing a troop movement.

The Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville student is being held at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Bill Ramsey, a member of the American Friends Service Committee, said he talked to Hayes the day he was charged, for the first time since his arrest Dec. 13.

Hayes, 24, was taken from his Tower Lake apartment on the SIUE campus by U.S. marshals at 2 a.m. Dec. 13. He was held at Scott Air Force Base for about 12 hours before being flown to Camp Lejeune.

Hayes had filed for conscientious objector status on Nov. 29, the day before he was to report for duty, and did not report.

Ramsey had helped Hayes explore his options after his military unit was activated.

Edgar stresses education at inaugural

SPRINGFIELD — A new regime began in Illinois on Monday as Jim Edgar took over as the state's new governor. A capacity crowd of 5,000 to 7,000 warmly welcomed Edgar and bid a fond farewell to former governor James Thompson, who led the state for 14 years.

Edgar's inaugural address, which only lasted 10 minutes, included some of the same themes Thompson had emphasized in his first speech as governor in January 1977.

Like Thompson 14 years ago, Edgar pledged a spirit of "cooperation and not confrontation" with the Legislature and local leaders.

And like Thompson, Edgar pledged he would seek public

trust by "maintaining a high standard of ethical conduct."

Before beginning his speech, Edgar walked over to shake Thompson's hand and said Thompson would "be a tough act to follow."

Edgar stressed many of his campaign themes, particularly education.

He noted that one in four youngsters does not graduate from high school each year, those with high school diplomas as well as those without them, must receive education and retraining to meet the demands of changing technology.

"We must demand and provide quality education at every level and every corner of Illinois," Edgar said.

He plans to address the State Board of Education at its monthly meeting this week to discuss his goals. Edgar also gave special attention to the environment, saying, "We cannot promote and protect our human resources and neglect our natural resources."

He warned that "state government faces tough fiscal times" and "we must meet priority needs without asking more from our taxpayers."

"But we can survive them if we have the discipline to set priorities, make budget cuts where cuts can and should be made, and look for new ways to approach old problems," Edgar continued.

He received some of his biggest applause when he said: "We should not raise taxes at the state level, and we must provide relief from skyrocketing property taxes at the local level."

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Obituaries

Bonebrake

Nora Helen Bonebrake, 92, of Denver, Colo., formerly of Collinsville, died Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1991, in Denver.

Born March 18, 1898, in Saverston, Mo., she was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Collinsville.

Survivors include two sons, Clarence R. Bonebrake of Collinsville and Vernon L. Bonebrake of Granite City; two daughters, Mrs. Jim (Sunny) Wood and Mrs. Robert (Bonnie) O'Brien, both of Denver; 16 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank G. Bonebrake, who died Oct. 6, 1989; her parents, John and Amanda Jane (Staffey) Dougherty; one son, Francis, who died Oct. 12, 1976; and one sister.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Herr Funeral Home, 501 W. Main St., Collinsville. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, Collinsville, by the Rev. Robert Haslam. Burial will be at St. John Cemetery in Collinsville.

Compton

Bryan L. Compton, 94, of Granite City, died at 7:10 p.m. on Jan. 16, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He had been ill since Dec. 14 and a patient the same amount of time.

Born Oct. 7, 1896, in Sorento, he resided in Granite City for 73 years. Mr. Compton owned and operated Compton's Restaurant at the American Steel Plant for 45 years, retiring in 1982. He was of the Protestant faith, was a 50-year member of Masonic Lodge 777 in Granite City, and was a past Exalted Ruler of Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks No. 1063 since 1924 and a member for 72 years.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Edward (Kathryn) Hoff of St. Charles, Mo., and Mrs. Lee (Elaine) Correll of Granite City; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Florine (Lorch) Compton, who died in 1987; his parents, William Harry and Katherine (Kell) Compton.

Visitation will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday at Davis Funeral Home, 21st Street and Cleveland, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, near Edwardsville.

Slough

Worthen expressed his opinion of the proposal in his capacity as an alderman for the Seventh Ward, within which the project is located.

"Things stink on this project, the way they're trying to ramrod it through without getting through the proper people and getting their stamp of approval. Why won't they do this?" he asked.

"I don't think it is the paperwork involved. I think they're afraid it will not be approved, so they're trying to have Big Brother step on everybody else's toes. And I'm not going to let that happen."

Fellow Seventh Ward Alderman Emerald Daves does not share Worthen's opinion.

He said Tuesday he felt the development has already beautified the area and enhanced stormwater drainage.

"I go out there every day," Daves said. "I went out there when (Lathrop) started working, and I've made it a habit."

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Jones

Mae Alice (McGill) Jones, 78, of Venice died at 4:40 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, 1991, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. She had been ill for several years and was admitted to the hospital on Dec. 28.

Born on Oct. 3, 1912, in Oxford, Miss., Mrs. Jones had resided in Venice since 1943.

Prior to retiring, she was employed for many years at Barnes Hospital and later worked at Coordinated Youth Services in Granite City.

Mrs. Jones had been an active member of Logan Street Church of Christ in Venice since 1960. Her husband, A. L. Jones, died in 1936. She also was preceded in death by a daughter, Emma; and a son, Johnnie Warren Jones.

Among the survivors are two sons, Milton Jones of St. Louis and Robert Jones of Venice; a brother, Johnnie Warren McGillicuddy of East St. Louis; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and other relatives.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 9 p.m. Friday at Logan Street Church of Christ, 1107 Logan St., Venice. Services will be conducted by Evangelist Nathaniel Cobb at 11 a.m. Saturday at Centerville Church of Christ, 7435 Old Missouri Road, Centerville. Burial will be at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt. Austin A. Layne Mortuary, 7230 West Florissant Ave., St. Louis, is in charge of arrangements.

Long

Ruth Ann (Mitchell) Long, 66, of Wilsonville, Ill., formerly of Mitchell, died at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1991, at her home.

Born on Feb. 5, 1924, in Pittsfield, Ill., she resided in Pittsfield for two years. She lived in Granite City for 30 years. Mrs. Long was the owner of Ruth Ann's Beauty Shop for 30 years.

Survivors include her husband, Homer Long of Wilsonville; one son, Richard A. Long; three daughters, Dorothy Gibson, Roberta Hull and Georgia Ann Reeves; one brother, William K. Mitchell; one sister, Betty Wexler of Effingham; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Helen (McMullen) Mitchell.

There will be no visitation. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday at Unity Chapel, 3300 Village Lane, Granite City, by the Rev. Harvey Humes officiating. Burial services will be at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials are suggested for the American Cancer Society.

"I am for the drainage. I think it will do a good job for Lynch and Vesel (avenues). We had two or three rain too long ago, and not a bit of water stood there, where it usually is flooded," Daves claimed.

"I don't think this will cause the water table (to rise) any. If it would raise the water table, I'd be against it."

"But I just feel this will help our area. The only thing is to get proper drainage to it. Going down Pine Street (recently), I found one place ... where somebody took concrete and blocked the culvert, and that is causing a problem there," Daves said.

When asked who would do such a thing, Daves replied, "I don't know who would do that or why. But we're going to check it and get it straightened out."

Daves concluded, "But I am for the lake" around which homes would be built.

Mayor Van Deuse Cruse reported, "I went out there with (Public Works Director Brett) Hanke

Pinson

Carroll Amos Pinson, 69, of O'Fallon died Sunday, Jan. 13, 1991.

Born March 16, 1921, in Collinsville, he had retired from the Granite City Army Depot and the Toole, Utah, Army Depot.

Mr. Pinson was a member of the First Baptist Church of Collinsville. A Marine Corps veteran of World War II, he participated in combat at Saipan-Tinian, Marianas Islands, from June 17 to Aug. 1, 1944, and at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, Feb. 19 to March 15, 1945.

Survivors include his wife, Charm E. (Wade) Pinson; one daughter, Mrs. Earl (Charmaine) Richardson Jr. of O'Fallon; a stepson, Lee "Butch" Robin of Hammon, N.J.; one brother, David E. Pinson Jr. of Collinsville; and 13 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, David E. and Essie (Hicks) Pinson, and one brother, Delbert Pinson.

Services were conducted Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Collinsville by the Rev. Robert L. Haslam. Burial was at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville. Kasky Colonial Mortuary, Fairview Heights, was in charge.

Lindhorst

Emil N. Lindhorst, 90, of Belleville died Sunday, Jan. 13, 1991, at St. Paul's Home in Belleville.

Born Nov. 24, 1900, in Missouri, he was a retired carpenter. Mr. Lindhorst was a member of St. Paul's United Church of Christ and Carpenters Local 433.

Survivors include one son, Donald Lindhorst of Belleville; four sisters, Bertha Schneider of Troy, Mrs. Gus (Rose) Eberhart of Edwardsville, Mrs. Edwin (Adele) Stunkel of Wood River and Viola Spencer of Mitchell; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred (Valerius) Lindhorst; one daughter, Betty Jean Lindhorst; and his parents, John and Elizabeth (Mirglin) Lindhorst.

Visitation will begin today at 4 p.m. at George Renner and Sons Funeral Home, 120 N. Illinois, Belleville, where services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday by the Rev. Marjorie Koons. Burial will be at Walnut Hill Cemetery, Belleville.

Memorials are suggested for St. Paul's Home.

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imum flexibility to meet the challenges of the steel business. The Granite City Division is one of three steelmaking divisions of National Steel, the nation's sixth largest steel producer.

National Steel is headquartered in Pittsburgh and employs 12,000 people. The company is owned 70 percent by NKK Corp. of Japan and 30 percent by National Intergroup Inc. of Pittsburgh. The management revamp is among the most major change since NKK acquired majority ownership last June.

Leonard joined National Steel in 1982 in Pittsburgh as senior engineer. He moved here in 1985 as manager of Facility Engineering and in 1988 was named

Cuts

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"If the money were available, we could justifiably add both teachers and administrators to this district approach," 1982, was however, we must be realistic and must make every effort to be sure the district does not turn downward into an era of serious indebtedness similar to the tragedy that was allowed to happen

War

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"Hussein has forced us into this situation; otherwise, we wouldn't be there. It's the bully syndrome and it's someone doesn't put a stop to him, he would continue. We don't want another Adolf Hitler," Pilech said.

None of Pilech's family members are involved in Operation Desert Shield, but he has a 15-year-old son and is obviously thinking of the future. Who knows how far Hussein might go if he isn't stopped, Pilech said.

He had a different point of view. He has a grandson, a sergeant in the Air Force, who has been in Saudi Arabia with an airlift wing and since Sept. 2. "I don't think we should have started this or be over there. I just don't think we should have got into it."

"It's none of our business. The Arabs and Islamics have been fighting for thousands of years," Handon said.

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Loan

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ed. "It's an advantage to consumers in one way. But when a big corporation moves in and pays people minimum wages, it's a disadvantage to the community," Worthen said.

Construction of the 91,440-square-foot store is to begin this summer. The store is expected to open in early 1992.

In other business, the board approved Sheppard, Morgan and Schwaab as engineer for the development of a new subdivision in Stittell by the ABC Con-

director of Ironmaking. Ward recently joined Granite City Steel after 10 years with A.O. Smith Corp.'s Illinois and Tennessee facilities, most recently as plant manager and vice president of operations at Smith's Granite City plant.

Kocof joined Granite City Steel in 1988. Becoming a maintenance supervisor, he was named director of Central Maintenance and Utilities.

Squires joined Granite City Steel in 1986 and began supervisory duties in 1984 as a coke oven practitioner. He served as general foreman, assistant superintendent, superintendent

in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

Walmisley commented, "What was done in those years, as this district approach, 1982, was horribly inappropriate."

He continued, "No school district should ever find itself in a position where it has five or six too many buildings in operation, and a couple hundred

Hinson said.

Hinson is a retired teacher at Coolidge Junior High School; where she taught English, math and social studies. She is past Illinois state president of the American Legion Auxiliary and the current Central Division membership chairman for nine states of the national American Legion Auxiliary.

Hinson has a nephew in the Navy whose ship has been in the Persian Gulf several times patrolling the coastline. Another nephew in the Navy Reserves is currently "on call," she said.

A woman whose Marine Corps son is scheduled to leave Sunday to his unit already in Saudi Arabia with an airlift wing and since Sept. 2. "I don't think we should have started this or be over there. I just don't think we should have got into it."

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Wandling became a project engineer at Granite City Steel in 1972 and, after holding various engineering positions, transferred in 1983 to Pittsburgh as manager. Major Projects Engineering. Returning here in 1984 as director of Ironmaking, he was named director of Hot Rolled Products in 1988.

Ozeki transferred to the United States from NKK in 1985 as manager of Primary Coordination in Pittsburgh. He came to Granite City Steel in 1986 as manager of Technical Coordination - Primary and in July 1990 was named director of Technical Coordination.

employees they could do without. Something is wrong with that system when you are going constantly deeper and deeper into uncontrolled debt."

"When you don't have the money," Walmisley said, "you had better recognize it early on."

Walmisley said the district had "blown ... in the millions of dollars" to pay off interest on indebtedness. He characterized actions of the district prior to 1982 as "irresponsible."

Walmisley said Director of Finance Norman Owca had informed him the district needed to come up with a plan which would increase income and decrease expenditures for total yearly savings of \$1 million.

Walmisley said the good news to district employees is that the School Board has a policy not to lay off any current employees.

"Everybody who has a job in this school district today who is not retiring or going on leave, or is not going to stay on leave, has a job here next year," Walmisley assured.

Generally, the plan reduces costs by means of staff attrition, savings on supplies, and savings on capital outlay.

Savings by means of teaching staff attrition are expected to total \$575,400 a year.

At the elementary level, retirement of three classroom teachers and one resource teacher, and the reassignment of, savings on supplies, and savings on capital outlay.

There had been some indications the hotel might close if the loan was not restructured.

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Huebner — Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Randall, former residents of Granite City, are pleased to announce the marriage of their son, David Keith Huebner, to Katherine Sue Taylor.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor of Louisville, N.M.

The bride and groom are now residing at 1205 W. 11th Street, Louisville, N.M., 88101.

Births

Emily Ashby

Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Lori Cunningham) Ashby, 2116 Waterman Ave., announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, on Jan. 9, 1991, at Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.

The infant weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and has been named Emily Ashby.

They have another daughter, Erica Leigh, three years old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ashby and Dolores (Spahr) Cunningham, all of Granite City.

Shawn Baucom

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Baucom of Granite City are parents of a boy born at 8:23 a.m., Nov. 21, 1990, at Anderson Hospital.

The infant has been named Shawn Arthur-Michael. He weighed 7 pounds, 12 1/2 ounces.

The mother is the former Debbie Soens.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Soens of Poplar Bluff, Mo.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil P. Baucom of Poplar Bluff and the late George Baucom.

The couple has one other child, Tara, 2 yrs.

Steven Garner

John and Jessie Garner of Granite City are parents of a boy born at 11:06 p.m. Dec. 21, 1990, at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

The infant has been named Steven Robert. He weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces.

Marriage licenses

The following marriage licenses were recently issued by Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles:

Thomas Jules Debrun Jr. and Karen Marie Draper, both of Granite City.

Mark Perry Foster and Kathryn Susanne Rose, both of Granite City.

Timothy Andrew Gamble and Tracy Lynn Gamble, both of Granite City.

Alan Dale Hoffman and Charis Lee Seagoe, both of Granite City.

Clinton L. Sensabaugh and Cynthia A. Freeman, both of Granite City.

Robert D. Blankenship and Sandra K. Siebert, both of Granite City.

Leonard C. Crone and Elizabeth A. Harrison, Granite City.

Hyperactive

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learned how to get her daughter to sleep at night.

Pam allows her 9-year-old daughter to read herself to sleep. She has a reading light on her headboard and is allowed to read for a certain amount of time each night before turning out the light.

"I learned you have to stand your ground with kids — you can't give in to them at all," she said.

If Pam's daughter stays up past her allotted time, she loses her reading privilege for the

next night and has to go to bed earlier.

So far, Pam has had no problem with the reading arrangements, and she is continuing to learn from other parents as well as teach them her own secrets of success as a parent.

The Attention Deficit Disorder Parents Support Group's next meeting is from 7 to 8 p.m., Friday, at Christ United Church of Christ, 26 N. 14th St., in Belleville.

The group regularly meets on the third Friday of each month at the same time at the church. New members are welcome.



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FINISHING TOUCH: The Rev. Bill Fisherkeller stands proudly next to the newly installed cast bronze plaque that now covers the cornerstone of the former Sacred Heart Church. But it doesn't signal an end. It is a new phase of history at the corner of 26th and Washington streets. The detailed work emphasizes the new parish, Holy Family, dedicated in July 1988, but it does not forget the heritage of the three parishes that formed the new church: St. Joseph in 1901, Sacred Heart in 1924, and St. Margaret Mary in 1964.

Community briefs

Butterfly club meets recently

The home of Hazel Rollins, which was festively decorated in keeping with the Christmas season, was the meeting place of the Butterfly Card Club after having lunch at Charlie's recently. Dessert was served and favors of Christmas pins was presented to each member.

Pinchle was played and high scorers were Thelma Schmidt, Edith Ryan, Harriet Hoff and Lorraine McIlvoy. Elene Willis was the winner of two special prizes.

Others in attendance were Nell Talley, Katie Holmert, Juanita Rosenberg and Mary Lou Claussen.

Edith Ryan will entertain in January.

Women of Moose discuss events

At a recent Women of the Moose Business Night meeting, discussion was held about the Towel Social on Dec. 21.

The meeting was called to order by Gerri Speece.

Preparation also was made for the Queen of Hearts Ball on Feb. 9.

Cookie and coffee and tea were served by Sylvia Woods and games were played.

Attending were Rosemary Bryson, Jarclina Miller, Georgia Richards, Pat Macke, Marilou Wilkerson, Sylvia Woods, Clara Johnson, Millie Votoupal, Sara Gusewell, Gladys Markovich, Barb Jarrett and Ruth Beck.

Seniors council cancels events

The Granite City Council of Seniors has cancelled its Jan. 25 evening of games because of the inclement weather, announced President Gertrude Boskey.

The Feb. 3 afternoon of games will be held as scheduled unless otherwise notified. If it must be cancelled, a notice will be published in the local paper or announced by KMOX and WGNO radio.

The cancelled Christmas dinner/dance has been rescheduled for Feb. 25.

Renewal of membership for 1991 is being accepted at the senior office daily from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Any questions or further information can be obtained by calling 877-1215 or 877-2252.

New Beginnings to meet Fridays

New Beginnings, a social group for single, widowed and divorced persons, will hold its monthly meeting Friday, Jan. 19. The group will meet in the Friendship Room at the Holy Family Community Center at 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Rosalie, 451-1303 or Carolyn, 876-1273.

Eagle-Stone presents play

Eagle-Stone Worship Center, 1348 Iowa St., Madison, held its annual Christmas play, Sunday, Dec. 23, at 7 p.m. The play was directed by Judy Stroder and was entitled "The Reason for Christmas."

The cast was: David and Melanie Kelley, Doug Cook, Donny Jones, Jennifer Jones and Timmy Smith.

Martinez-Bennett

Carla Martinez, daughter of Frank Serrano of Granite City and the late Laureline Serrano, and David Bennett, son of Leona Bennett of Granite City and the late Robert (Huey) Bennett, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Martinez is a 1982 graduate of Granite City High School and a part-time student at Belleville Area College. She is the owner and operator of Serrano's Lounge of Granite City.

Bennett is a 1983 graduate of Granite City High School. He is the owner and operator of All Appliance Repair of Granite City.

The couple is planning a May 18 wedding at Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City.



Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Mahoney

Mahoney-LeBeau

Michele Dawn LeBeau and Tracy Scott Mahoney were married Dec. 27, 1990, at City Temple by the Rev. Gary Thomas.

The bride is the daughter of George and Beverly LeBeau of Granite City, and the groom is the son of Cindy and Jerry Burkett of Granite City.

The maid of honor was Julie Austin of Granite City, cousin of the bride.

The best man was William Trevis Mahoney, the groom's brother.

Ushers were Randy Wolfe and Dave Bassao.

A reception was held at Ralph and Charlie's Restaurant.

After a wedding trip to Collinsville, the couple moved to Charleston, S.C.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School.

The groom is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School and is serving in the Navy, stationed in Charleston, as a corpsman.

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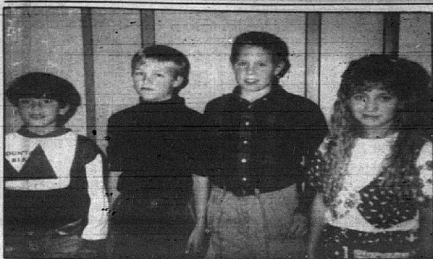
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TOP SELLERS at Parkview were, from left, Bradley Evetts, Matthew Roustio, Steven Schroeder and Keri Allison.

Parkview school students honored for candy sales

Prizes were recently awarded to the top candy sellers at Parkview School.

Fourth-grader Matthew Roustio led the student body with \$800 in sales. He received a 13-inch color television with a remote control.

Steven Schroeder, also a fourth-grader, sold \$650 to earn the second prize, a bicycle.

A Nintendo Gameboy was won by second grader Keri Allison for selling \$525.

In addition to their top prizes, each was allowed to select additional prizes from each step of the prize ladder.

First grader Bradley Evetts won a prize from every step for selling over \$500 worth of candy.

Awards were also given to the top three homerooms. Second graders in Shunette Maier's class sold \$343.50 and earned a Parkview School Birthday Party.

John Svoboda's fifth grade

earned a "No Homework Day" by selling \$3003.50. Extra gym time was earned by Patty Moore's fourth grade for selling \$2722.50.

The top seller in each homeroom won a Mickey Mouse Watch. These students included: Stephanie Brake, Melissa Bowen, Jamie DeBeaux, Keri Allison, Shanna Keel, Bradley Evetts, Jamie DeBeaux, Keri Allison, Shanna Keel, Bradley Allison, Shanna Keel, Bradley Allison, Jamie Haug, Catherine Ware, Melissa Lucke, Matthew Roustio, Cole Galloway, Ryan Haddix, Eric Jackson, Chris Hatfield, Melissa Nelson, Donald Tooley, Carl Peterson, and Jamie Cann.

A drawing was held for a Nintendo and \$5 cash prizes. The Nintendo was won by Robbie Slater and the cash awards were won by Nathan Bain, Monique Jacks, and Kristin Nobus. The fundraiser was coordinated by Mrs. Joy Caschetta.



ETIQUETTE TRAINING: Brownie Troop 714 of Holy Family School recently completed a course in manners and etiquette from Proprietes, a business committed to teaching youth and pre-teen manners. The course was conducted by Margaret Hopkins and Maria J. Papa. Pictured at their final formal session are: Front row, from left: Ashley Slover, Sarah Turek and Sarah Carmody. Second row, from left: Katie Marzif, Erin Boyer, Katie Onley, Della Moore and Katie Ronk. Third row, from left: Meghan George-Mehelic, Andrea Vasquez, Erica Brockman and Renee Kramer. Fourth row, from left: Jessica Wallace, Katie Vivod, Angela Kromraj, Elizabeth Mushill and Lindsey Lerch. Back row: Marta Papa and Margaret Hopkins. Troop leaders Cathy Carmody and Diane Mehelic are not shown.

Proper clothes make winter play more fun

By Jane Cosby
Correspondent

Although doctors still cannot cure the common cold, they do know how it is contracted. And despite what some people might argue, going outside in cold weather improperly dressed will not result in a cold.

The only way to catch a cold is by picking up the virus from someone who has it, generally through coughing, sneezing or kissing, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. The AAP's recommended treatment for a cold is to allow it to run its course while treating the symptoms and drinking plenty of liquids.

But there is a good reason for dressing carefully during cold weather. The AAP warns that overexposure to cold can cause frostbite, the greatest contributors to which are wet clothes and shoes.

Outdoor activities can be safe in the winter if you dress your child properly for the cold weather and properly supervise or plan activities.

The AAP offers these suggestions:

Dress your child in layers. Warm air between each layer helps maintain body temperature. Wool garments are the best choice to keep your child dry and warm.

Hands and feet are especially

important. Use glove and sock liners to keep them dry. Mittens will hold in more heat than gloves.

Make sure your child wears a hat whenever the temperature is below freezing. Most of a person's body heat is lost through his head. This is especially important for an infant.

Use petroleum jelly on exposed areas of a child's face that are particularly susceptible to chapping.

Don't allow your child to play outside on days when the wind chill temperature is -20 or below. Children will need extra supervision when outside on cold days because they may become cold but be enjoying themselves too

much to admit it.

Winter sports present a wonderful opportunity to encourage a child to engage in physical activity at a usually sedentary time of year. But they also can pose health risks if safety steps are not taken.

Parents should teach their children to stop and fall down sideways when skating, sledding or skiing.

All equipment a child uses should fit properly; children should not use skates or skis that he has to "grow into."

Most children are injured while sledding by collisions, so look for a hill free of obstacles and with plenty of room at the bottom to stop safely.



Marquette has placement exam

On Saturday, Jan. 19, Marquette High School will hold its Placement Exam for all incoming freshmen for the 1991-92 school year.

This test will run from 8:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Marquette and is recommended for all prospective students.

There will also be a parent orientation at 10:30 a.m. in the school cafeteria.

This will include a question/answer session with the administration of Marquette as well as a general overview of the school. Refreshments will be provided.

An exam fee of \$7 is due the day of the exam.

For additional information please call (618) 463-0580.

An alternative date of Saturday, Jan. 26th has been set in case of cancellation.

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Retired teachers planning luncheon

The Madison County Retired Teachers Association Unit 3 will hold a luncheon meeting beginning at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1.

The event will take place at the Cornucopia Buffet, Cottonwood Mall, off Illinois 158 in Glen Carbon.

Donald C. Rikli, a Highland attorney, will speak. Ginger Booker, of Madison will be the vocal soloist.

Lunch is \$5.50. Reservations are due Jan. 28. For information call 344-2854 or 654-6651.

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Belt tightening means less use of credit cards in 1991

HERNDON, Va. — A national consumer group wants consumers to keep in mind a checklist of how to avoid falling into debt after the holidays.

The group is offering a "Money Management Kit" designed to ensure that the New Year hasn't brought with it insurmountable financial troubles.

Bankcard Holders of America, a national consumer credit protection group, warn that millions of Americans are facing serious financial problems as a result of high personal debt levels, slowing economic growth and escalating energy prices.

"During the 1980s, lenders changed from loan order-takers to aggressive marketers of credit," said Elgie Holstein, the group's director. "And consumers threw caution to the wind by taking on more and more debt."

Currently, Americans are carrying more than 200 billion in credit card debt, compared to about 80 billion in 1980, according to the group, and they are paying an average of about 19.5 percent interest on their outstanding balances.

"Household budgets are threatened by high credit card debt, a fact usually disguised because most credit card issuers require their cardholders to pay each month only 3 or 4 percent of the total amount they owe," Holstein said. "You can carry several thousand dollars in credit card debt by paying only \$100 per month. High interest rates combined with low minimum monthly payments means it can take you years to pay off a credit card completely. And if you fall behind in your payments, the bank can demand immediate full repayment."

In addition, many issuers are offering "skip-payment" options to cardholders, permitting them to pay nothing every other month. Consumers who use the option sometimes do not realize that finance charges continue to accrue on their outstanding card balances during the months they don't pay.

To help consumers take control of their finances, Bankcard Holders of America is offering a Money Management Kit, which includes a 19-page "Money Man-

agement Guide" and a pamphlet, "Managing Family Debt." The kit is available for \$3 (postage and handling) by writing to BHA, 560 Herndon Parkway, Suite 120, Herndon, Va. 22070.

The guide takes consumers through a step-by-step analysis of their personal finances, using simple worksheets for analyzing household expenses, figuring debt-to-income ratios and drawing up a household budget. It includes advice about how to reduce dangerous debt levels. The pamphlet examines some of the options available to people who find themselves in debt. It discusses the effectiveness of debt consolidation companies, second mortgages, and low-cost and no-cost financial counseling firms.

"During tough financial times, consumers need to understand three important things about debt," Holstein warned. "First, the value of their assets to meet debt obligations also decreases; and, third, the burden of their debt stays the same or, if they fail to pay, it increases."

"Bankcard Holders of America also released its list of 'Holiday Shopping Tips' to help consumers avoid further financial jeopardy in coming months:

- Pay off outstanding credit card bills as soon as possible. Credit card debt is often the most expensive form of debt most consumers are carrying, so paying off those bills first will save you money. Those credit card bills come due with the new year, when allowable tax deductions for credit card interest payments will drop from 10 percent to zero.

- Add a new credit card to your wallet if you are paying high interest rates on your current cards. A cash advance on a new, low-interest-rate card can be used to pay off high-interest bills made with high-rate cards. "If you're in a bind, it's a better deal; it will be just as acceptable to merchants as a card issued locally, and will still be fully protected."

- In-department stores, use a

low-interest-rate Visa, MasterCard, or American Express Optima card whenever possible, since most retail cards carry interest rates that are even higher (often 20 percent to 21 percent) than most bankcards (average: 18.7 percent). If you can afford to pay your card charges off in full at the end of the month, store cards can save you money; they typically carry no annual fees.

- Beware of deferred-payment purchase plans, skip-payment credit cards, and unrequested boosts in credit lines. The holidays always bring offers to buy now, pay later. In most cases, interest will be added up during any deferred payment period. Even if the first few months are payment-free and interest-free, you will still be obligating yourself to pay for merchandise eventually. If you cannot afford to pay cash for it now, you probably won't be able to afford it three months from now. In these uncertain economic times, it's wise to say no to new offers of credit, including higher credit limits on existing credit cards.

- Beware of credit scams anytime of the year. Guard your credit card numbers by refusing to allow merchants to write your credit card numbers down on checks. Destroy credit card cards. Check billing statements carefully for purchases you did not make or that were never delivered. Write to your card issuer immediately to dispute such charges. Never give your credit card number over the phone, unless you are certain that the company is reputable. Throw away offers of "guaranteed" credit cards, especially if there is a steep fee just to get the application.

- Think twice before buying a new 1990 automobile. Good deals on 1990 cars are still available from hard-pressed dealers, but signing up for four to five years of car payments is "risky" unless your future income is really secure. Cars are the most valuable asset many Americans own, but almost all cars, even in good economic times, depreciate quickly. In used times, it's easy to end up owing more on a new car than the amount for which it can be re-sold.



(Staff photo by Pam Doolittle-Hunt)
TWO MORE VANS ADDED BY DIXON Heating and Cooling. The company at 2708 Nameoki Road, 877-3378, has added two Chevy Astro to its fleet of service vans. The fleet now totals four, increasing the firm's ability to quickly serve clients. In business in Granite City for the past 11 years, Dixon installs and services residential and commercial heating and cooling systems and also does refrigeration work.

Affordable housing makes St. Louis area attractive

By Roger McGrath
Correspondent

An executive due to be transferred from an East Coast assignment to Citicorp Mortgage's headquarters in St. Louis County had this question for relocation specialist Vince Kramolowsky: "Can I get a decent house there for \$800,000?"

The answer—most definitely, yes—is a plus for St. Louis. Especially when local officials court corporate executives charged with finding a site for a Midwest office or, better yet, a new home for the corporate headquarters, economic development officials say.

"People find out what they can buy here for \$250,000 and it blows them away," says Dennis Coleman, executive director of the St. Louis County Economic Council.

The median price of houses sold here in October was \$80,000, the St. Louis Association of Realtors reports.

In lists of the metropolitan areas with most affordable home prices, St. Louis regularly claims one of the top spots. In 1989, St. Louis was the nation's second most affordable housing market, according to the Regional Commerce & Growth Association. Indianapolis was found most affordable.

"Affordability" calculations take into account the local median home price and median income; the lower the home price or the higher the income, the more affordable housing is in a community. Which accounts for St. Louis' standing in affordability rankings.

The \$80,000 October median home price compares favorably to other Midwest cities that St. Louis competes with for new jobs—Chicago's median price during the third quarter was \$122,000; Cincinnati, \$81,800; Dallas, \$90,700; Kansas City, Mo., \$75,600; Memphis, \$78,900; and Min-

neapolis, \$88,200. Median household income in the 10-county St. Louis metropolitan area was \$33,089 in 1989, according to RCGA. Nationally, it was around \$25,000.

Affordable, relatively low-cost housing "is one of our strong points," says Greg Nooney, chairman and chief executive of the Nooney Cos., a commercial real estate firm that wows out-of-town tenants.

But another commercial real estate agent says housing prices rarely come up during talks with executives searching for a new home for their company. Any place in the Midwest will be more affordable than either coast, he continues. Third quarter median prices for single-family homes were \$176,700 in New York City, \$211,400 in Los Angeles and \$261,600 in San Francisco, he says.

More important, he maintains, is an educated labor force with the Midwest work ethic. St. Louis executives regularly pop into the office on Saturday mornings, a practice virtually unheard of in New York City, for example, because of the lengthy commute to office, the executive says.

Affordable housing can translate into lower operating costs because employees in a market with lower housing costs do not need the same salary level to afford housing, Coleman adds.

Another potential savings for an East Coast firm moving to St. Louis is that employees are "in the office longer each day."

In areas like New York City where workers have to depend on commuter trains and scheduled transportation, they often work fewer hours, sometimes just 35 or so, says a commercial leasing agent who insists on anonymity.

In St. Louis, where employees generally live closer to the job, employers can count on 40 hours of work, so "you get more for your money," the agent says.

East Side employee is named

Chris David of Granite City has been named employee of the year by East Side Publications.

David was recently promoted from circulation clerk to assistant circulation manager.

She has two daughters, Emily Warnecke and Beth Koesterer, a grandson, Christopher Koesterer, and a granddaughter, Katherine Koesterer. Her father, Lindell David, a former Granite City resident, resides in Troy.

The award, based on a vote of the newspaper's employees, reflects hard work, loyalty and integrity, said Rick Jarvis, Illinois general manager for the Journal Newspress.

David, 46, first began working for East Side in May 1989.

East Side is the company that publishes the Granite City Press-Record and Journal, the Cahokia Dupo-Journal and the East St. Louis News Journal.

David was honored at the employees' annual Christmas party Dec. 21.

Law articles published

Barbara Crowder of Edwardsville has had two articles published in the December 1990 issue of "Family Law," published by the Illinois State Bar Association.

The first article deals with modifiability of marital settlement agreements concerning the payment of college or professional school expenses for children of dissolved marriages.

The second article addresses intrastate transfer of venue in post-judgment proceedings concerning visitation of minor children.

Three Magna banks will merge in June

BELLEVILLE — William S. Badgley, board chairman of Magna Group Inc., Ray C. Livsey, chairman of Magna Milliken Bank of Decatur, Warren L. Martin, chairman and president of Magna Bank of Springfield, and Richard L. Stryan, president of Magna Bank of McLean County, have announced the proposed consolidation of the three banks into Magna Bank of Central Illinois.

Total assets of the combined banks will be approximately \$700 million.

It will be the largest commercial bank in central Illinois after the consolidation.

The consolidation is expected to be completed by June 30 and is subject to regulatory approval.

Administrative headquarters of the resulting bank will be in Decatur, with banking offices located throughout Decatur, Springfield, Bloomington, Lincoln, New Holland, Stanford and

McLean. The banking offices in each community will remain full-service financial centers with service and lending autonomy for their local customers.

Also, the staff of each of the present locations will continue to serve their areas and remain active in community affairs.

Magna Group, a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Belleville, owns eight banks with 40 locations in central and southern Illinois, a trust company and a data processing company.

On Oct. 23, 1990, Magna announced its intention to merge with Landmark Bancshares, a \$2 billion multi-bank holding company headquartered in St. Louis.

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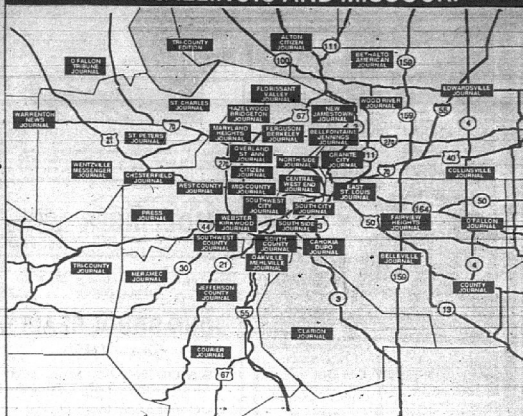
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Area soldiers heading overseas, to other assignments

Kent Crow
Sgt. 1st Class Kent S. Crow has been deployed to the Middle East with American military forces participating in Operation Desert Shield.

Operation Desert Shield is the largest deployment of U.S. military forces since Vietnam. The operation is in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and threat to Saudi Arabia.

"It is the presence of dedicated military people like Crow that brings America's principles to life and gives them strength and meaning," President George Bush said.

Crow is the son of Virginia Crow of Granite City.

The sergeant is a tactical com-

Military

munications chief at Fort Carson, Colo.

Crow is a 1967 graduate of Granite City High School.

John Douglas
Marine Pfc. John D. Douglas, son of Mabel L. Douglas of Granite City, was recently promoted to his present rank while serving with Marine Corps Detachment at the Army Armour Center/School, Fort Knox, Ky.

A 1990 graduate of Granite City High School, Douglas joined the Marine Corps in May 1990.

Ronald Gibson

Army National Guard Pvt. Ronald C. Gibson has completed training at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the course, students received training which qualified them as light-weapons infantrymen and as indirect-fire crewmen in a rifle or mortar squad.

Instruction included weapons qualifications, tactics, patrolling, land mine warfare, field and combat operations.

Gibson is the son of Ronald C. Gibson of Troy, and Sandra L. Gibson of Granite City.

He is a 1982 graduate of Granite City Senior High School.

Christopher Briggs

Navy Airman Recruit Christopher L. Briggs, son of Alan J. and Karen L. Briggs of Granite City, recently completed the Basic Aviation Structural Mechanic course.

During the course at Naval Air Technical Training Center, Naval Air Station Memphis, Millington, Tenn., Briggs received instruction on the inspection, maintenance and repair of aircraft frames ("skeletons") and exteriors ("skins"). In classroom and practical application periods, he studied blueprint reading, corrosion control and metal working.

Briggs joined the Navy in April 1990.

Rodney Cochran

Rodney S. Cochran has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of private.

Cochran is a light wheel vehicle mechanic at Smith Kaserne, Germany.

He is the son of Robert N. and Mable M. Cochran of Granite City.

During the 13-week training cycle, Hamm was taught the

basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

Hamm participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

A 1990 graduate of Madison Senior High School, Hamm joined the Marine Corps in August 1990.

Musical group sings at Baptist church

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6256.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wilson and family, of East 25th Street, have as a guest this week her mother, Mrs. Dorothy Van Voort of Sioux City, Iowa.

A singing celebration was held Sunday afternoon at the Bethesda Baptist Church, 3035 Nameoki Drive, The Believers, a musical group led by Finis Barr, was the main attraction. The group consisted of Gabe Wallace, lead; Melvin Wallace, bass; Darryl Wallace, baritone; David Barr, tenor. They were accompanied by Eddie Hubbard on the piano. Several local residents also participated in presenting special music. There were approximately 125 in attendance.

Lynda Kay Watson of Troy spent Saturday visiting her



Maxine Green

grandmother, Maxine Green of Pine Street.

The Bunco Club met Wednesday evening in the home of Karen Lember. Members attending were Vina Nelson, Linda McFarland, Edna Bennett, Robbie Wilson and Sallie Kirksey.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed (Mary) Jelf have returned home from Johnson City, Ill., where they visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. V.E. Walther and daughters, Lydia and Heather.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ingle of New Douglas were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas (Nadine) Papp of Pine Street.



IN THE MONEY: More than 20 Granite City High School National Honor Society Members devoted a weekend to solicit outside area businesses on behalf of the Tri-Cities Area United Way. The students collected \$1,100 to help meet people's needs in the community, and the \$1,015,000 overall drive goal was topped. Pictured are, from the left, Kristi Holsinger, vice president; Susan Stegall, secretary; Tim White, president; and Mark Chapman (seated), treasurer.

Group to study sweatshirt design

The Ostomy Support Group will meet Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. in the Papp Hall on the ground floor of St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

The meeting, the first of the year, will be an educational afternoon.

Sandy Kelley will demonstrate sweatshirt designs. A question and answer session on health care will follow and refreshments will be served.

The Ostomy Support Group is

designed to provide fellowship among people who share a common experience and can provide support to others. It is open to anyone who has had a colostomy, ileostomy or urostomy.

The group provides members with the opportunity to voice concerns and problems and find solutions.

Family members and friends, as well as those with ostomies, are encouraged to attend, said a spokesman at 798-3167.

50th birthday party held for Jerry Grupas

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venice scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 877-1096.

A surprise 50th birthday party was held for Jerry Grupas at the home of his daughter, Angela Grupas in Clayton, Mo. His wife, Connie Grupas, co-hosted the party. Decorations included over-the-hill black balloons, tombstone, casket and cane. A decorated cake and other food was served. Entertainment was furnished by Fantasy Group.

Others attending were Mark Treppier, Eva and Rudy Majek, Glenn and Donna Doctor and daughter G.G., Mamie Doctor, Jennie Dykeski, Mike Jakish, Leond Dykeski, Frank Dykeski, Jim and Pat Scherrills and daughters Amy and Beth, Matt Ohlendorf, Pat Treppier, Julie DeRuntz, Phil Gordan, Bill Schermer.

The following day another party was held at the home of Glenn and Donna Doctor of Glen Carbon. Besides those mentioned, also attending were Rose and Tom Summers, Lloyd Summers and Joe and Patty Morrison.

Organ donations to be topic

"Whole Body and Organ Donations: Fact vs. Myth" is the next featured topic for two Home-makers Extension Association local units: Creative Women, at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21, at the



Kathy Dohnal

home of Mickey Strack, 3233 Newell Drive, Granite City; and the Isabel Bevier Unit, 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at the home of Myrtle Hickman, 2701 Center St., Apt. B, Granite City.

Grandparents are Joe and Ruth Barrington and Ed and Kathy Dohnal. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Al Steinhauer, Mary Domagaki and Frank and Catherine Orris.

The Old Times Sake group met for dinner on Wednesday, Jan. 9, at Rizzo's East in Madison. Attending were Gerry Mendez, Mary Firtos, Pat Lalich, Betty Busatch, Connie Grupas, Pat Scherrills and Kathy Dohnal.

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Cults, Satanism in Focus Series

The Winter Focus Series of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will look at "New Age Spirituality, Cults and Satanism" at the Jan. 23 program.

The program will be held from 10:11-30 a.m. in the Mississippi rooms of the University Center.

Leading the session will be Sister Carla Streeter, Dominican nun and professor of systematic theology at Aquinas Institute of Theology at St. Louis University.



ROYAL VISIT: A group of Miss America Pageant queens bring holiday cheer to patients at North Chicago Veterans Hospital under the sponsorship of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary.

Visiting are, from left: Miss Illinois, Jaclyn Greer of Granite City; Maurice Kerichov, VFW State Hospital chairman; Army Capt. Mike Keatley of Columbus, Wis.; and Lindsey Larsen, Miss North Shore.

Miss America Marjorie Vincent, Miss Wisconsin Tricia Ann Luedtke, and Miss Illinois guided the troupe of 16.

Military

Donald Holmes

Army Pvt. Donald L. Holmes has arrived from duty in South Korea.

Holmes is assigned with the 2nd Infantry Division.

He is the son of Kay S. Holmes of Madison and Donald Holmes Sr. of East St. Louis.

Kyle Taylor

Kyle F. Taylor has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of first lieutenant.

Taylor is a helicopter pilot at Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.

He is the son of Frederick A. and Norma J. Taylor of Granite City.

His wife, Kerrie, is the daughter of Ersal D. and Dorothy H. O'Dell of Granite City.

The lieutenant is a 1984 graduate of Granite City Senior High School and a 1988 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Area teens can apply for Illinois pageant

Applications are now being accepted for the 1991 Miss Illinois Teen USA Pageant, which is the official preliminary to the Miss Teen USA Pageant.

The Illinois Pageant will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Woodfield Hilton Hotel May 3-5.

There is no performing "talent" requirement. All judging is based on poise, personality and beauty of face and figure.

Girls 15 to 18 years old from Illinois who wish further information must write to:

Miss Illinois-Teen USA Pageant Headquarters, Dept. NA, 444 West Galena Blvd., Suite A, Aurora, Ill., 60506.

Or phone 708-896-8638, or toll-free, 1-800-33-ILL-USA.

Letters must include two recent snapshots: one face shot and one full-body shot in a swimsuit or shorts, and a brief biography which includes date of birth and home phone number.

Miss Illinois Teen USA will win a \$1,000 cash scholarship, a complete competition wardrobe and television gown and an all-expense-paid trip to Biloxi, Miss., site of the 1991 Miss Teen USA Pageant.

The Miss Teen USA Pageant will be staged in August by Miss Universe, Inc., the producer of Miss USA and Miss Universe pageants.

Both are televised live by CBS nationwide. More than \$150,000 in cash and prizes await the winner of the 1991 Miss Teen USA Pageant.

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